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FOUND POISON IN STOMACH OF VICTIM

WILLIMANTIC, CONN., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Poison sufficient to kill half a dozen persons has been found in the stomach of Mrs. Julia Wilson, who died two weeks ago, for whose murder Mrs. Lelia Manson and George Wilson, son of the dead woman, are now under arrest. A formal complaint will be drawn up against the two, and they will be committed to await the action of the grand jury.

GOTHAM SOCIETY NOW PLAYS ROULETTE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Roulette parties in private homes have become very popular since the closing recently of several high-class gambling houses. Bridge whist and poker have been crowded out and parlor roulette wheels have been purchased. At some of the sessions already held large amounts of money have changed hands. Women like the game, apparently, even better than they do cards.

STEEL CORPORATION BUYS ANOTHER PLANT

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(Special.)—The Times this morning says: "William F. Donovan, president of the Troy Steel Production Company at Troy, N. Y., today announced the sale of the Breaker Island plant to the United States Steel Corporation. Mr. Donovan added that while he could not speak with authority, he was quite confident the new owners would operate the plant. A force of men has since been engaged in placing the plant in readiness for a resumption of operations."

WOMAN MURDERED CHRISTMAS MORNING

TOMS RIVER, N. J., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Mary A. Darby, 58 years old, who is said to have been related to several prominent families in this part of New Jersey, was murdered on Christmas morning in her home in Tuckerton, where she led a solitary life. George Rider and Albert Stiles, both of Tuckerton, were arrested tonight in connection with the crime.

TODAY'S AMUSEMENTS.

ALVIN—Weedin Grossmith in "The Night of the Party." 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
NEW GRAND—The Xmas Pantomime, "Little Red Riding Hood," 2 and 8 p. m.
BIJOU—"A Ragged Hero." 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
DUQUESNE—Irmo Fox and Xmas vaudeville, 2 and 8 p. m.
EMPIRE—"The Major and the Judge," musical comedy. 2:15 and 8:15 p. m.
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AVENUE—Marcel's pictures and a holiday vaudeville bill, continuous performance, from 1:30 to 10:30 p. m.
CARNEGIE INSTITUTE AND ART GALLERIES—Loan exhibition, open from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m.
DUQUESNE GARDEN—Ice skating.
PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Pittsburgh orchestra, Victor Herbert, conductor, and Luigi von Kunits, soloist, 2:15
PITTSBURGH CARNEGIE MUSIC HALL—Free organ recital by City Organist E. M. Lemare, 8:15 p. m.
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CITIZENS PARTY LEADERS CONDEMN CITY COMMITTEE FOR NOMINATING MR. HAYS

Many of the More Prominent Men in the Organization Declare the Selection a Stupendous Blunder.

CHARLES S. CRAWFORD RESIGNS

From all parts of the city comes criticism of the Citizens in nominating William B. Hays for recorder. Leaders of the party on the floor of councils are strong in their condemnation of the selection. Charles S. Crawford, member of the city committee for the Twentieth ward, has resigned as a result of the action, and the organization in the Fourteenth ward has adopted resolutions protesting against the nomination and requesting the party to withdraw Hays. Other wards will do likewise.

While the leader of the Citizens spent the day working to capture the Democratic city convention for Hays, men who have been pillars in the party since its birth, were condemning the nomination of Hays. The first bomb was exploded when Charles S. Crawford, chairman of the original committee of 25, member of the new city committee, attorney for the party and president of common council, handed in his resignation as a member of the city committee. It was sent to Chairman T. S. Bigelow after Mr. Crawford had been asked to deny an interview in The Gazette of yesterday in which he declared that the people of the Twentieth ward were not for Hays. He was told that Hays would be elected and it was intimated to him that the Citizens candidate would probably be made the nominee of the Republican and Democratic parties.

The Resignation of Crawford.

This is a copy of the letter Mr. Crawford sent to Chairman Bigelow:

"Dear Sir—I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the committee of 38 of the Citizens party."

Mr. Bigelow said last night that he had not received the resignation and did not care to discuss it. He said that he had not intimated to Mr. Crawford that the Republicans would indorse Hays. The chairman said that after next Tuesday he would have a number of things to say.

Messrs. Crawford and Wasson stated last night that the publication of the story in The Gazette yesterday that the Twentieth ward common councilmen were a unit against the nomination of W. B. Hays had brought them a summons early in the morning from the Citizens headquarters in Third avenue. Councilman Thomas M. Brown, their colleague was also sent for, but he was out of the city.

Messrs. Crawford and Wasson responded and were interviewed by a representative of Mr. Bigelow.

"Our attention was called to the story in The Gazette," said Mr. Crawford, "and Mr. Wasson and myself were asked to repudiate it. We were told that Mr. Hays would be elected recorder beyond all doubt. We were told that he would be indorsed by the Democrats and were left to infer that the Republicans would also indorse him. We made it plain that the people of the Twentieth ward were not for Hays, and that we could not keep our pledges to them if we did not protest. I am glad for what I have done, because I know the people of the ward approve my action. I saw, three weeks ago, what was coming, and I am glad that the burden is off my mind."

Chairman Leslie's Denial.

Chairman M. G. Leslie of the Republican city committee was asked if the organization had any intention of indorsing Hays. He refused to make the flat statement that it would not, but denied that he or any one acting for him in the organization was attempting to make a deal with the Citizens. He says that the strongest man in the Republican convention will be nominated. There is slight likelihood of the indorsement of Hays, even though some of the ward workers are endeavoring to bring it about. In the Republican suggestion meeting in the Tenth ward last night a resolution was adopted indorsing Hays.

The Democratic conferees were scheduled to meet with the Citizens conferees yesterday afternoon. At the appointed hour Mr. Bigelow said that all conferences were off. The Hays workers are making a good showing in the Democratic delegate fight. It is the general opinion that they will carry a majority of the wards in the primaries this evening. There are a number of wards where the anti-Hays Democrats do not have delegates in the field. The Citizens party lieutenants are generally working with the Hays Democrats and many of the Republican members of the party will attempt to vote for his delegates. Col. J. M. Guffey was reported yesterday to have gone to New York to remain until Monday, thus deserting the anti-Hays forces. This report is untrue. He was in the city, and will be here until after the primaries.

Fourteenth Ward Acts.

By almost a unanimous vote the Citizens party organization of the Fourteenth ward adopted resolutions asking W. B. Hays to withdraw, and adopted, without a dissenting vote, a resolution indorsing W. B. Rodgers for recorder. The meeting was held in the Citizens headquarters, in Forbes street, near Atwood. It was called by the ward chairman, William J. Moore, who is also the member of the city committee.

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock. Chairman Moore did not appear until an hour afterwards, stating that he had been detained by private business. Attorney E. Y. Breck was made chairman. E. D. Wilt made a motion that the nomination of Hays be condemned and that he be asked to withdraw. Councilman W. H. Stevenson moved that Mr. Wilt's motion be incorporated in resolutions. This was adopted and a committee of three, W. H. Stevenson, T. S. Brown and E. D. Wilt, appointed to draft resolutions. The resolutions reported were as follows:

Whereas, We, the Citizens, Republicans and Democrats of the Fourteenth ward, believe in the principles of the Citizens party, as expressed in its platform, which was indorsed by the vote of the people at the municipal election last February and at the general election in November, and believe that the man nominated as the candidate of the Citizens for recorder should be a sincere exponent of its principles, and

Whereas, We have been advised that William B. Hays has been selected as such candidate, it is believed that it is the sense of the Citizens party of the Fourteenth ward that William B. Hays does not meet the requirements of the party or its principles, and we therefore protest against his nomination and request that he withdraw as a candidate for recorder of the city of Pittsburgh.

Want Another Candidate.

Resolved, also, That we request the city committee to place in nomination a fit candidate, acceptable to the Citizens party, one who merits and receives its support.

But three persons of the hundred present voiced dissent to the resolutions. C. M. Anderson moved that the name of W. H. Stevenson be offered to the city committee for recorder. Mr. Stevenson opposed this motion, stating that his name had already been before the city committee and had been rejected by Mr. Bigelow on Monday. Mr. Stevenson said that he appreciated the compliments paid him by his friends and neighbors of the Fourteenth ward. He said it and pleased him more than the nomination for recorder would have done.

"We want a big, broad man for recorder, and W. B. Rodgers is the Moses that can lead the Citizens party out of its bondage," said he. "Mr. Rodgers will be acceptable to the Citizens, the Democrats, the independent Republicans, and I believe also to Mr. Bigelow. I ask that my name be withdrawn."

Mr. Stevenson's request was complied with and the meeting adopted a resolution, presented by David M. Brown, indorsing W. B. Rodgers. It was as follows:

Declare for Rodgers.

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting of Citizens of the Fourteenth ward that we approve the actions and conduct of our controller, members of select and common councils in all public business heretofore acted upon and that we favor the nomination and election of W. B. Rodgers as recorder of the city of Pittsburgh.

Councilmen D. F. Crawford and Chris Beckert, Jr., were present. Mr. Crawford stated that he concurred in the action of the meeting, and that it was his opinion that the people of the Fourteenth ward do not regard the nomination of Hays with favor.

A motion was adopted by the meeting that copies of the resolutions be sent to T. S. Bigelow, chairman of the city committee.

FAVORITE SONS GET INDORSEMENTS

Miles Humphreys and F. C. Beinhauer Suggested for Recorder at Ward Meetings Held by Republicans.

Sixth ward Republicans last night indorsed Fire Chief Miles Humphreys for recorder of Pittsburgh. The resolution was offered by D. J. Owens. It referred to the past record of the chief, his services as a member of both branches of the legislature; as a manager of local iron works, and his long connection with the bureau of fire. The resolution commended him as a possible candidate, as "a man who, regardless of faction, clique or the advancement of any special interest would give us a broad and statesmanlike administration, devoted exclusively to the advancement of the Greater Pittsburgh and the good of the people in general." His 12 years' service as the head of the bureau of fire is referred to as "broad, efficient and impartial, and commended by all men."

The selection of the ward and district nominees was left to a committee of five.

The Republicans of the Twenty-ninth ward last night nominated Henry Klinzing and W. H. Ziefel for school directors and William Rinkhoff for ward assessor. District officers were also decided on without opposition.

Resolutions were adopted indorsing F. C. Beinhauer for recorder. His record as an independent Republican when a candidate some years ago for mayor, as a councilman and an alderman were referred to in glowing terms.

The Republicans of the Eighth ward met in the Franklin school. John H. Bell, Samuel Frankel and Samuel Votes were suggested for school directors and James F. Mooney was named for ward assessor, without opposition.

The Tenth ward Republicans met in the Ralston school. Charles Shaffer and John Digman were named for school directors and James Carey for ward assessor.

The Fifteenth ward Republicans met at the Lawrence school. L. H. Hoffmeister was named for school director and Paul Thoma for ward assessor.

At the Republican suggestion meeting in the Thirty-second ward James Reed was named as a candidate for select council, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Paul. Matthew Irwin and William Slater were suggested as candidates for school directors; Andrew Engel for assessor, and William S. Miller and J. J. Meisel for assistant assessors.

The Citizens party of Montooth borough filed a petition for the use of that title. The signers are Andrew Pfister, J. E. Buzzard, J. F. Ganghan, C. E. Moum, C. A. Hepling.

The county commissioners will today elect a mercantile appraiser. William German of McKeesport will probably be chosen.

At the Parting of the Ways.

CITIZENS COUNCILMEN PROTEST AGAINST WILLIAM B. HAYS' RECORDERSHIP CANDIDACY.

Joseph C. Wasson, member of common council for the Twentieth ward—

The so-called reform movement was started, carried forward and crowned with victory because principles and not men were at stake. The people wanted to have the direction and government of their own affairs.

I went into the movement because I believed in this theory of municipal government, have given it my time and best effort without allegiance to any man or any faction of men, deeming myself responsible to the people alone, and to revert to old conditions or have foisted upon me a candidate not acceptable to the people, or who does not typify the dominant principles of the platform on which I was elected and which I am expected to support, would be to stultify myself. I am no hypocrite and have no sympathy with hypocrisy. If I may judge by the protests that have poured into me from the citizens of my ward as well as from other sections of the city, Mr. Hays does not measure up to the standard the Citizens party is expected to maintain. I do not wish to make any reflection upon Mr. Hays personally, or upon anybody particularly advocating his candidacy, but I believe the Citizens organization has committed a stupenduous, if not an irretrievable, blunder.

Charles S. Crawford, president of common council and member from the Twentieth ward—

The Citizens party is under the domination of the very power that we have always fought against and which was responsible for the reform movement, that is, boss, or one-man rule. A week ago I was for Mr. Bigelow for recorder and believe that had he been a candidate he could have been elected at that time. Now I believe that if he were the candidate he would stand no show. I have no name to suggest for recorder. I intend to wait and see whom the Republicans and the Democrats nominate before I advise any friends of mine whom to support.

Thomas M. Brown, common councilman from the Twentieth ward—

I am in entire accord with my colleagues, Mr. Crawford and Mr. Wasson.

W. H. Stevenson, member of common council for the Fourteenth ward—

Mr. Hays does not meet the requirements of the Citizens party or correctly represent its principles. The office of recorder demands the biggest and broadest man in Pittsburgh. W. B. Rodgers is a Moses who can lead the Citizens party out of its bondage.

The men now in control of the Citizens organization are undertaking to thwart the will of the members of the party and were never sincerely in favor of reform. They took advantage of a strong popular movement and are trying to divert it to their own personal ends.

The selection and election of councilmen on the Citizens ticket last February and of the Citizens candidates at the last general election was free from dictation of bosses or machine power. They were elected by the people for the purpose of obtaining municipal reform and to clean out the court house, and the men who are now trying to divert this movement to other ends will find out that the Citizens party has outgrown control by any man or set of men.

I regret to note that Mr. Crawford has resigned from the city committee of 38, to which he was elected for one year, as he could have been of valuable service to reformers as a member of the committee. His resignation seems ill-advised, as, no doubt, his successor will be an adherent of the machine that is now in control of the Citizens party.

Dr. W. D. O'Brien, member of select council for the Twenty-third ward—

If our leaders expect to hold the Citizens party together they must put up men that represent the people. The fight has been made against bossism. If the man who now heads the Citizens party had been nominated, there would have been less criticism, but the people are inclined to look upon the candidate as a man of paper to be used as putty in the hands of bosses. The people in this ward are inclined to resent the action of the Citizens party in naming William B. Hays. A meeting will be held Monday night.

D. F. Crawford, common councilman from the Fourteenth ward—

I do not believe the people of the Fourteenth ward want Mr. Hays.

GEORGE FRED WILLIAMS ORGANIZES NEW PARTY

Public Ownership of Public Utilities Will Be the Battle Cry.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—George Fred Williams, former Republican congressman and latterly a power in state and national Democratic councils, has come out squarely for public ownership of public utilities and has begun organizing a new party. Simultaneously Democratic leaders in other states will begin work on the same project—a reorganization from within of the Democratic party in line for the next presidential campaign.

Williams is a close personal friend of Bryan, and stumped the west for him. He is easily the ablest politician in the east, and his most bitter enemies have never questioned his honesty of purpose and general integrity.

SACRIFICED HER LIFE NURSING HER FIANCE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Faithfulness to her fiance, Prof. Peck, a former instructor in Lehigh university, who died a year ago from consumption, has cost Miss Mabel Mitchell of Plainfield, N. J., her life. When he was taken ill Miss Mitchell, then a school teacher, nursed him at his home in Newburg, N. Y., and after his death the young woman was stricken by Prof. Peck's disease. She resigned her position as an instructor and died last night.

EXHUMED BODY SHOWS EVIDENCE OF MURDER.

LANCASTER, PA., Dec. 26.—The body of Jacob H. Bostick, the Pennsylvania railroad trackwalker whose body was found on the tracks two weeks ago, near Nainbridge, near this city, with his skull fractured and a bloody pickhandle nearby, was exhumed today and a bullet found at the base of the brain. The murderers had planned to hide their crime by placing the body so that the cars would run over it. Two young men from Columbia named McCoy and Gutterman are under arrest.

Child's Burns Are Fatal.

Alice Connolly, 6 years old, died early this morning at the McKeesport hospital. On December 21 the child while playing with companions at her home in Brynmawr was fatally burned by her clothing catching fire from an open grate.

BEEF TRUST IS TRYING TO GOBBLE BIG PLANT

Circulate Adverse Stories and Make Attempt to Secure Options on Stock.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The big beef trust has begun queer operations here to get control of the great Squires packeries at Somerville. The property went up financially in the bank crashes of three years ago, and has since been conducted by trustees in bankruptcy.

Recently members of the Squires family made charges that their equity was being ruined and now taking advantage of the situation the trust brokers here are trying to get the common stockholders to dispose of their holdings by options at $14 per share, provided they can get 51 per cent of the stock. Bear circulars are going around and derogatory reports circulated. The properties are worth $5,000,000.

MOB IN A PULLMAN.

Attempt to Lynch Conductor Whom They Accused of Causing a Man's Death.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Because its members believed he had thrown a man from his car and killed him a mob at Cherokee, Ala., attempted to take Samuel Cruikshanks, a Pullman car conductor running on the Southern railway, between Knoxville and Memphis, from his car and lynch him. The efforts of the mob were unsuccessful.

A few nights ago the mangled form of a well-dressed stranger, whose identity has not been made public or which is not known, was found lying beside the railroad track at Cherokee, a station between Chatanooga and Memphis. The man made a statement which implicated a Pullman car conductor, but gave no name, saying the conductor had thrown him from the train while it was running at full speed. The unknown man afterward died. Cruikshanks, who lives near Knoxville, has not been arrested. He bears a good reputation.

Vanderbilt Gains Rapidly.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—"I have some very good news for you," said Dr. Austin Flint, Jr., tonight when he left the residence of Mr. Cornelius Vanderbilt. "Mr. Vanderbilt has passed his best day since his serious illness. He has made a distinct gain since yesterday." Dr. Flint seemed very much pleased with his patient's condition.

MASCAGNI ONCE MORE PLACED UNDER ARREST

This Time His Manager Accuses Italian Composer of Embezzlement.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Signor Mascagni, the Italian composer, who abandoned his American trip while playing in Chicago last week, was placed under arrest tonight on a charge of embezzlement, his former manager, Richard Heard, being the complainant.

When Mascagni decided to return to Italy he had no further use for his American manager and discharged him. Heard claims that his contract called for $5,000, and tried to collect that amount. Mascagni refused to pay Heard any such sum and the arrest followed.

Mascagni was allowed to remain at the Auditorium hotel, where he is living, the house detectives agreeing to be responsible for his appearance in court.

WISHES TO MARRY CROWN PRINCESS

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(Special.)—A cable from Geneva to the World says: Andre Giron, the fascinating French tutor, with whom the Crown Princess Louise Antoinette Marie of Saxony fled from her husband and future throne, talked freely today with a representative of the World about the peculiar position in which he, the crown princess and the Archduke Leopold Ferdinand find themselves. The tutor, who is tall, slender and delicate, most elegant in his manners and as sorrowful in mien as any poet, made it absolutely plain that he was profoundly in love with the crown princess and intended to marry her as soon as possible.

ANONYMOUS DONOR TO BUILD STEEPLE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—From a mysterious donor a Christmas gift of $15,000 has been made to St. James' Protestant Episcopal church to defray in part the cost of building a tower on the church at Madison avenue and Seventy-first street. The Rev. E. Walpole Warren, rector of the church, made the announcement at the Christmas service and added that the gift was conditional on a like amount being contributed for the purpose.

JOHN WEAVER FOR MAYOR OF QUAKER CITY

Man Acceptable to Insurgents Named by Party Leaders.

STRATEGIC MOVE BY ISRAEL DURHAM

Proposed Candidate Has Made Good Record as District Attorney.

IS CERTAIN OF ELECTION

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Public Ledger Building,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.

The Republican leaders today decided to support District Attorney John Weaver for mayor. His indorsement by Insurance Commissioner Durham and the ward leaders not only insures Mr. Weaver's nomination, but his election.

It was not until 6 o'clock this evening that Mr. Weaver's name was announced as the choice of the organization. The decision was made public at the office of Commissioner Durham in the Betz building. It came as a surprise. Speculation has been particularly active and a score of names have been mentioned in the list of possibilities, but never Mr. Weaver. The selection is regarded as a brilliant stroke of political diplomacy. It annihilates all hope of an independent contest. District Attorney Weaver is alike agreeable to the stalwarts and reformers. His year in the office of district attorney has won for him unstinted and unqualified tributes from the Wanamaker insurgent newspapers. If consistent they must be for his election; if inconsistent, they must repudiate columns of fulsome eulogy of his official competency.

Durham's reputation as a political strategist has been greatly strengthened by his mayoralty coup. He has named as successor to Mayor Ashbridge a man who stands, personally, professionally and officially, as the peer of all at the Quaker City bar. In so doing he has chosen one who is essentially and sincerely in sympathy with the Republican organization, one who will not prove a disappointment to those who make possible his official advancement.

Machine Works Smoothly.

In the final selection, I am authoritatively informed, everyone of the 42 ward leaders was asked to concur, and yet not one of these men, who were personally consulted by Mr. Durham, permitted it to be publicly known who was being considered for the high honor. This in itself is a straw indicative of the smooth running character of the city organization. Not until Durham gave the word was Weaver known as the winner.

District Attorney John Weaver is 40 years old. He was born in England and came with his parents to Philadelphia in 1870. At the local bar he worked his way to the front, but received no attention politically until 1901, when the Republican leaders selected him as their candidate for district attorney in opposition to P. F. Rothermel, the Union party candidate. His majority over Rothermel was about 40,000. Since taking the office Mr. Weaver has hewed to the line. He has recognized no obligation save that of duty, and so successfully has he divorced himself from political environment that he has never been by the public at large thought of as one likely to receive further recognition from the party organization. Like Governor-elect Pennypacker, he can say that the honor came unsought and unsolicited.

Pennypacker's Cabinet.

The board of judges will appoint a successor to District Attorney Weaver, who is not expected to resign until it becomes necessary for him to take the mayoralty oath in April. Commissioner Durham had an early morning conference with Governor-elect Pennypacker. The cabinet appointments were discussed, but Mr. Durham informed the writer that he did not expect an announcement as to the cabinet personnel before January 1.

CHESTER D. POTTER.

BELIEVES HUSBAND WAS MURDERED

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Thomas Evans, an expressman of 329 South Second street, Williamsburg, has been missing since Tuesday and his wife appealed today to the police, who sent out a general alarm. On Tuesday after a trip to Manhattan Evans boarded a Fulton ferryboat, but when the boat reached the Brooklyn slip he was missing. Mrs. Evans scouts the idea of suicide. She says he had a large sum of money with him.

FORECLOSURE NOTICE KILLS MINISTER

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Anxiety over his financial affairs is believed to have indirectly caused the death of the Rev. Jesse A. Wilkins, a retired minister at Woodstock, Conn., whose body was found by neighbors today. It is said that on Christmas day Mr. Wilkins was served with a notice that a mortgage of $1,500 on his farm property would be foreclosed.

MERCHANT KILLED AND BODY BURNED

MATTHEWS, GA., Dec. 26.—Edward Gay, a merchant, has been killed and his store burned. His safe, which contained $1,200, was found open and the money gone. Mr. Gay was called from his home by an unknown man, who asked him to change a bill. Not having the money Gay walked with the man to the store and did not return. His skull was found in the ruins of the store.

Lieut. Kistler Missing.

DENVER, Dec. 26.—Second Lieut. William M. Kistler, Company M, Eighteenth United States Infantry, has been missing from Fort Logan for nearly two weeks. The Denver police department has been asked to assist in a search for him.

ARBITRATION AT THE HAGUE NOW ASSURED

President Roosevelt Scores Diplomatic Triumph Over the Allies.

NAVAL OFFICERS EXCHANGE CALLS

Britishers Feel That Their Government Should Break Compact With Kaiser.

LONG MEETING OF CABINET

[SPECIAL CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]
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Port of Spain, Trinidad, Dec. 26.—There is a strong sentiment among British naval officers against further co-operation with Germany in the Venezuelan affair. On the other hand, the relations between the British and the United States naval officers are unusually cordial. Officers of the two fleets exchanged visits and courtesies throughout the whole Christmas day. The United States warships now here will return to Culebra island on Saturday. The Alabama and Kearsarge will stop at St. Lucia for coal.

The British cruiser Charybdis, upon returning here yesterday from the blockade, reports that the Venezuelan ports on the Gulf of Paria are in the hands of the revolutionists. The opinion here is that the revolutionary activity further complicates the situation and embarrasses the position of President Roosevelt.

A Dutch mail steamer from Venezuelan ports arrived here this morning. Her captain reports that the British tender Columbine permitted him to discharge part of the cargo at Cumana. The captain found that the place was being strongly fortified against the insurgents who were expected to make an attack.

Upon the arrival of the mail steamer at Carupano the sloop-of-war Alert refused the captain permission to land any of the cargo. The skipper of the mail steamer heard sound of firing ashore. Officers of the Alert informed him that fighting had been taking place several days.

Triumph for Roosevelt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—President Roosevelt has apparently succeeded in his efforts to persuade the powers to accept The Hague tribunal as the court of arbitration of the Venezuelan difficulty. His endeavors to bring about this much-desired outcome have been at all times thoroughly consistent and actuated only by the highest motives not only for a peaceful settlement of the present dispute, but for the purpose of establishing a precedent to avert future unbearable situations of a similar character.

The present hopeful status of the situation, which at one time seriously threatened the interests of this country, is regarded in Washington as a distinct triumph for President Roosevelt's administration, both as a national and international factor.

No official declaration has been made that all the parties to the dispute have agreed to accept The Hague tribunal, but that a practical agreement has been made with certain conditions attached which are now in process of being eliminated can be stated on the authority of a cabinet officer, while Senor Pulido, charge d'affaires of the Venezuelan legation in Washington, made the statement tonight that he had received unofficial assurances that The Hague tribunal had been accepted by all parties to the controversy.

Details to Be Arranged.

On account of the diplomatic negotiations still in progress toward a removal of all conditions that are likely to prove obstacles Secretary Hay is not yet ready to make an official announcement. There is decided inclination in official circles to remain silent on the question. Only the indefinite statement is made that distinct progress toward arbitration by The Hague was reported to the cabinet meeting today by Secretary Hay.

At the cabinet meeting today all the members except Secretary Root were present. The Venezuelan question was practically the only topic under consideration. Secretary Hay presented the results of his cable correspondence with the government at London, Berlin, Rome and Caracas. The European powers not only consented to submit the controversy to arbitration, but, while they had expressed a preference for an arbitration to be conducted by President Roosevelt, they had assented to his suggestion that the matter be referred to The Hague.

Cabinet Approves.

The presentation of the case met the hearty approval of the members of the cabinet. No fear is expressed by the administration that the Monroe doctrine will be brought into the controversy in any manner that might result in an embarrassing situation for the United States. Secretary Hay is preparing a note to the powers in which the gratification of this government is expressed for the course agreed upon by them in settlement of the pending difficulties.

No intimation is given of the conditions which may have been imposed by the European powers or by President Castro precedent to the arbitration. It is known that Great Britain was willing to submit the subject to the arbitration of President Roosevelt practically without conditions, but the suggestion is made that one, and perhaps two of the other powers involved proposed some conditions which might have proved embarrassing to the president had he undertaken the responsibility of determining the question.

It is understood that some money must pass, but it also is known that the amount of cash to be required of Venezuela before arbitration is not nearly so large as has been stated. It is not possible to learn either whether the allies insist upon apologies from Castro, and it is assumed that the blockade will be speedily raised.

Charge D'Affaires Pulido of the Venezuelan legation makes the following statement to The Gazette:

"The comments made by a small part of

the American press in reference to the present conflict between Venezuela and some of the leading European countries oblige me to request the courtesy of your important paper to put the matter in the proper light.

"It seems to me that there is a general misunderstanding about the real reasons of the unjust aggression against my country, headed by Germany and Great Britain. In reality Venezuela has never repudiated her obligations to foreign creditors nor ignored the claims of foreign powers on behalf of their subjects on account of alleged damages suffered by them under the necessary hardships which accompany a state of internal war.

"In the memorandum circulated by the minister of foreign relations to the friendly nations under date of August 12 last the position of Venezuela was very clearly set forth. We have a judicial power to which must be referred all the claims of native citizens, as well as foreign subjects settled in Venezuela, before appealing to diplomatic recourse. Germany and Great Britain absolutely disregard this provision of our internal legislation and they contend that the government should accept their claims at once without having applied first to the courts of the country to redress their alleged grievances.

Courts Are Impartial.

"The contention that the tribunals in Venezuela do not offer a sufficient guaranty of impartiality is absolutely without foundation. Many German subjects by following the regular course of proceeding and submitting themselves to our laws have obtained awards and our government has paid them their just claims or recognized them.

"Before closing permit me to quote the declaration made by the minister of foreign relations of Venezuela in his reply to the ultimatum of Germany under date of December 9, as follows: 'If the claims referred to are just the federal executive declares beforehand that those claims will be considered and decided in a fair way; and inasmuch as the commission to which by our laws they must be submitted is already sitting, the procedure will not be delayed and will not depart from the requirements of the law.'"

LA GUAYRA, Dec. 26.—The Swedish bark Framnas, from Cardiff with 475 tons of coal for the La Guayra Caracas railway, a British concern, arrived off this port yesterday and was ordered to remain outside the blockade line. Today orders were conveyed to the captain of the bark to leave. This step was taken because the coal was considered contraband of war. The vessel was not seized, as she left Cardiff before the trouble with Venezuela commenced. The captain of the Framnas is awaiting orders from his consignees.

The Dutch consul here has asked for and obtained the permission of the commander of the British cruiser Tribune to send a schooner to Los Roques, a group of small islands about 120 miles north of here, where the charcoal burners who trade with La Guayra are at present without provisions or water, their sloops having been seized by the blockaders. The schooner must carry a flag of truce. She can only take enough provisions to last the trip, and she will remove all the inhabitants of Los Roques to Willemstad, Curacao, and then return here.

ROOSEVELT PRAISED BY BRITISH PRESS

His Correct Attitude on the Venezuelan Matter Excites Their Admiration.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Except by the opponents of the government, who view it as a virtual defeat and as discrediting the ministry, the latest phase of the Venezuelan trouble has been welcomed very lukewarmly. Arbitration by President Roosevelt had been anticipated as so desirable an issue from a difficult business that his refusal, which is regarded as final, has caused keen disappointment. It is foreseen that even if satisfactory conditions to the submission of the disputes to The Hague court can be arranged this method will entail endless and wearisome details, with no assurance that at the end President Castro still will be in power or Venezuela in the mood to abide by the decision of The Hague. In short, that element of guarantee which would have accompanied President Roosevelt's acceptance of the office of arbitrator is now lacking. At the same time it is readily admitted that from the American point of view President Roosevelt has acted wisely in declining to act.

The foregoing represents the general drift of newspaper comment this morning. The only paper which really welcomes the decision to refer the Venezuelan matter to The Hague is the radical Daily News, which sees a chance of making arbitration once more a reputable theory. Paying a tribute to the coolness of President Roosevelt and the correct attitude of the United States during this "sorry business," the Daily News says:

"The Venezuelan crisis has done much to enhance Mr. Roosevelt's reputation and to bring home to Englishmen the essential friendliness of the American people."

The Daily Mail in a violent attack upon the government says: "Thus ends perhaps the most inglorious episode in which Great Britain has engaged in recent years."

PROBABLY THIRTY DEAD.

Extent of Disaster on Colorado Southern Near Trinidad Is Not Yet Fully Known.

TRINIDAD, COL., Dec. 26.—A coal miner from north of Trinidad who was taken out of the debris of the Colorado Southern freight wreck north of Trinidad last night said just before he died that there were 14 coal miners besides himself in the car in which he was riding and which was smashed to splinters. The ruins of this car still remain under tons of wreckage.

All the men in it must have perished. It is now estimated that the number of dead will reach from 25 to 30.

Arrested an Alleged Deserter.

Constable William Rothrauss last night arrested a deserter from the United States navy at a dance in Turner hall, Braddock. The man's name is Hunter and he at first denied being a deserter, but later admitted that he had deserted from the San Francisco while the ship was in a French port. In London, he said, he tried to give himself up to the United States consul, but was told to come to the United States and surrender. Hunter is 25 years old.

Gets Last Glass of Beer.

GREENSBURG, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Valentine Laressa, an employe of the Manor Gas Coal Company, died at his home in Claridge early this morning from fracture of the skull. He was injured in a fight on Christmas night that had its origin in a dispute as to who would drink the last glass of beer from the barrel purchased by a party of Italians. It was his last glass.

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MISS BIGGAR WILL RECEIVE HER LEGACY

Actress Goes to New York to Reside in the Bennett Apartments.

WAS DESERTED BY GREEDY LAWYERS

When Overtaken by Misfortune They Left Her to Struggle Alone.

EXECUTOR'S STATEMENT

Freehold, N. J., Dec. 26.—Laura Biggar suddenly changed her plans today and left town for New York, where she will take up her residence in the Eighty-third street flat left her under the will of Henry M. Bennett. Mrs. McClure, formerly a housekeeper in the Bennett household, who has been the faithful companion of the actress since her troubles began, went with her.

One who is close to the executors of the Bennett estate said today regarding their future course as to Miss Biggar, that he thought there would be no further litigation, providing she would come in and accept the provision made for her under the will and release any supposed rights she might have as the alleged widow of Bennett. It seems probable that this course will be taken. Miss Biggar has retained permanently Aaron E. Johnston and Frank P. McDermott, who were assigned by the court to defend her in the conspiracy case, and these gentlemen will look after her interests in the estate.

A gentleman who is in a position to know stated today: "The trouble has been that Miss Biggar has been hounded by lawyers ever since it became known that she was the chief beneficiary under the Bennett will. She has had no ready money and some of these lawyers promised to take her case on a commission when the sensational denouement occurred at Long Branch, followed by her arrest and those of Stanton and Hendricks. These lawyers simply abandoned her, thinking that she would be convicted and that she would be cut off from sharing in the estate.

Needs Competent Advice.

"What she needs is reliable advisers, and it looks now at this late day as though she would get them. The truth is that although old man Bennett tried hard to avoid it in his will, the estate has been looked upon as a fat morsel to be preyed upon, and it is time that a halt should be called."

It was stated today that Miss Biggar's counsel would now make a rigid inquiry into the assets of the estate and insist upon a prompt settlement of it.

ASBURY PARK, N. J., Dec. 26.—John F. Hawkins, executor for the Henry M. Bennett estate, said in an interview tonight regarding the verdict of the jury in the Biggar case:

"It was quite anomalous to say the least and was predicated unquestionably upon the theory that Miss Biggar was the victim and the dupe of Dr. Hendricks, as she undoubtedly was. Of course, this verdict does not in any wise settle the question as to whether Miss Biggar was the wife of Henry M. Bennett or not.

Executor Hawkins' View.

"The whole theory of the case was that there was a fake marriage, and exonerating Miss Biggar leaves no other woman in the case, and if any one can determine how there can be a marriage conspiracy without a woman as well as a man it is more than I can do. As the matter now stands, I have yet to ascertain by the judgment of a court whether Miss Biggar was the widow of Mr. Bennett before I can make distribution of the estate. If she was the widow the will is void and I am not an executor. I therefore intend to file a bill in the court of chancery of New Jersey to settle the question as to whether Miss Biggar was the wife of Henry M. Bennett or not. Of course, I expect to establish this conspiracy in the court of chancery as it has been established in a court of law. Our chancellor has not quite the opportunity to be as ridiculous and absurd as the jurors manifested they were."

The lawyers were in consultation with Mr. Hawkins today, but Mr. Hawkins did not care to divulge the nature of their conference.

FORMER SOCIETY LEADER FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Once a leader of fashion in Bensonhurst, L. I., Mrs. Catherine O. Johnson, 40 years old, was found dead in bed in a Raines law hotel at Twenty-fifth and Cropsey avenues, Ulmer park, today. Mrs. Johnson was the wife of Walter R. Johnson, an ironworker and inventor, who was also found in the room unconscious. Johnson was subsequently removed to the Brooklyn hospital, where it was said tonight he would probably die of pneumonia, brought about by dissipation.

CAR WORKS READY TO START.

Yards of Youngstown Works Are Crowded With Disabled Cars.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The plant of the Youngstown Car Manufacturing Company, recently taken over by new owners and which has been idle for a year, will resume operations on Monday. Activity of the plant will ultimately give employment to about 500 men.

The yards are crowded with cars to be repaired. Railroads have forwarded them from all parts of the country so as to have the repairs expedited. The plant is thoroughly equipped for work of this character on both wooden and steel cars.

Officer Dies at Manila.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Adjutant General Corbin received a cable message today from Gen. Davis at Manila saying that Captain Robert McGregor, corps of engineers, died in the Manila hospital on the 23d instant of acute appendicitis. Captain McGregor was a native of Michigan and was graduated at the military academy in June, 1880.

DIED.

KERN—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at 3:30 p. m., LAWRENCE KERN, beloved husband of Genafern Kern (nee Schmitt), in his 53d year.

Funeral from his late residence, 246 Mathilda street, on Monday, December 29, at 9:30 a. m. High mass at St. Joseph's church at 10 a. m. Friends of the family and members of Branch 45, C. M. B. A., Branch 6, St. George Ritters, and Company B, Uniformed Knights of St. George, are respectfully invited to attend.
[Buffalo (N. Y.), Altoona and Philadelphia papers please copy.]

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WINTER'S GRASP ON PITTSBURGH

Two Men Found in Snow, Dead from Cold and Exposure.

MANY HURT IN STREETS

Slippery Pavements Bring Pedestrians to Grief in City and Suburbs—More Snow and Continued Cold Promised.

Two deaths resulted from the cold yesterday. In both cases the victims were aged men and their dead bodies were found after daylight, frozen stiff in the roadways, near their homes. This brings the number of deaths from the cold up to four. Outside of these there were also many accidents reported as the result of people falling on the icy streets. The dead are:

Matthew Seinnet, a gardener in the employ of O. H. Darlington at Guyasuta, near Sharpsburg for 18 years, was found frozen to death within 75 yards of the Guyasuta mansion yesterday morning. Seinnet, who had a wife and five children living in Ravine street, East End, spent Christmas with them and started for Guyasuta Thursday night. It is believed that he was seized with a paralytic stroke and fell helpless in the snow, freezing to death.

Richard McCaan, aged 65 years, superintendent of a number of coal mines near Bridgeville, was found frozen yesterday morning on a hill near the Sygan pumphouse of the Forest Oil Company. He had been in this neighborhood but a few months, and had no relatives, so his body was brought to the morgue.

Many Fell in Streets.

Carl Lang, aged 22 years, of No. 426 Lincoln avenue, Millvale, fell on the ice in Grant avenue, Millvale, yesterday morning. His right leg was broken. James Donavan, aged 50, while crossing Fifth avenue, near Miltenberger street, fell on the traction tracks, his head striking one of the rails. He was found in a semi-conscious condition. John Holzheimer of Holzheimer & Bock, Sharpsburg undertakers, slipped this morning on an iron cellar door and was cut badly about the head. Sebastin Sower of Flowers avenue, Hazelwood, was found in a box car in Hazelwood, on the Baltimore & Ohio yesterday morning with both hands frozen. Rudolph Dickman of No. 3906 Liberty avenue, while removing the snow from the front of his home fell and broke his left arm. Quincy Sutton of Cedar street broke his left leg. With some companions he was skating in Liberty avenue, near Thirtieth street.

Andrew Kisel of Dickson street, Homestead, slipped on the ice and fell, breaking his left leg. John Masser of Braddock slipped while walking in Eighth street, fell and broke his right leg.

Pittsburgh was yesterday within one degree of the temperature predicted for this vicinity during the present cold wave. At 7 o'clock in the morning the mercury had fallen to 11 degrees, and it is probable that before the cold snap ends the mercury will go down to about 5 degrees above zero.

Warnings Sent Out.

Reports received yesterday morning and last night at the local weather office from the various stations show that the cold wave is breaking in the northwest, where it had its origin. From Huron, S. D., it was reported yesterday morning that the temperature was 26 degrees below zero, and as Pittsburgh and this section is directly in the path of the frigid weather, Forecaster Frank Ridgway sent out warnings to all dealers in perishable goods.

After daylight the atmosphere warmed up slightly by noon the mercury registered 15 degrees. At 8 o'clock last night 17 degrees was registered. By midnight the mercury had fallen back to 15. The maximum was 18, the minimum 11 and the mean 14. There was .07 of an inch of snowfall during the day. At the local weather office it was reported that St. Paul, Minn., was 4 degrees below zero, making that city the coldest place in the country last night.

Comparatively Cold Day.

According to the records compiled at the local office yesterday was an extremely cold day for this time of the year, there being a deficiency of 20 degrees in the temperature for the day, the normal for the last 31 years being 34. The records show that present conditions are not unusual for this time of the year, but if the severe cold should continue for a great length of time, it would be considered an early winter for this section.

Many persons took advantage of the snow and crisp weather to try out their horses and cutters on the boulevards and East End streets yesterday, and the merry jingle of sleigh bells could be heard in many streets. The small boy with his Christmas sled was also much in evidence, and pedestrians who got in the youngsters' path, either on streets where coasting is allowed or not, was startled out of his careful stepping on the slippery walks by the shout of "track."

A shortage of gas in the mains of the Peoples Gas Company left a large number of residents of Wilkinsburg and Brushton without fire yesterday afternoon and evening. In many cases there was not enough gas for cooking purposes and residents were compelled to do as best they could with cold meals. About 10 o'clock the gas came on again, but as nearly everyone had gone to bed to keep warm, few were aware of it.

DISGRACE UNBEARABLE.

Chicago Woman Commits Suicide Because Arrested for Shoplifting.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Broken hearted at being arrested and treated like an ordinary shoplifter, Mrs. Lottie Chasier, a well-known and wealthy North Side widow, was found dead, asphyxiated by gas in her bedroom at No. 587 Cleveland avenue last night. A coroner's jury gave a verdict of accidental death.

Mrs. Chaiser was the widow of the publisher of the Swedish Tribune, who died a few years ago. Her estate was valued at $40,000, not including her diamonds. She was down town on Wednesday purchasing presents for her children. In a State street store Detective Casey arrested her and she was charged with larceny. She was searched like an ordinary shoplifter and the police reported that a diamond ring and other goods were found on her person.

MORIN IS PROUD TO AID MARCONI

GLACE BAY, N. S., Dec. 26.—The following message was received today by Marconi in reply to his wireless telegram to the Italian minister of marine: "Considering the co-operation of the navy as a duty which was owed you, I am happy and proud to have been responsible for arranging that it should be given. I congratulate you cordially upon the great success obtained. MORIN."

Gov. Otero to Join Fight.

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 26.—Gov. Otero has started with his wife and son, Miguel, for New York. From there he will go to Washington to engage in the fight for statehood.

CROWN PRINCESS AND BROTHER MAY SEEK REFUGE IN AMERICA.

Archduke Ferdinand Leopold.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

Vienna, Dec. 26.—It is reported here on good authority that Archduke Ferdinand Leopold and the crown princess of Saxony and their companions purpose going to the United States, there being little probability of their finding congenial homes in Europe.

WORST GALE OF YEARS DEVASTATES SWEDEN

Several People Killed by Falling Roofs in Copenhagen. Many Lost in Shipwrecks.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 26.—The worst gale of many years visited Denmark Christmas night and this morning, and has done enormous damage to property and shipping. The telegraph and railway service has been interrupted. It is unsafe to walk the streets of Copenhagen owing to falling tiles, etc. Some streets were closed to traffic to avoid this danger.

The hospital reports show that several persons were killed and many injured in the city. The pillars holding up the overhead trolley lines were blown down and the street car service was stopped. Many houses have been unroofed and some mills and factories have been partially destroyed.

The water in the sound rose suddenly nearly as high as it did in the great flood of 1872. Several ships dragged their anchors and collided or were sunk in the outer harbor. The ferry service between the Danish islands and Sweden has been forced to stop.

Telegrams received here from the provinces report enormous damage to property throughout Denmark. Two boats have been wrecked off Elsinore and eight persons were drowned. Eleven of the crew, including Capt. Tobiason, were drowned in the wreck of the Norwegian bark G. S. Perry, which went ashore at Scaw. The Perry will be a total wreck and her cargo is washing ashore. Only one of her crew was saved.

There was also a severe gale in the south of Sweden.

TWO BURNED TO DEATH

Fire and Explosion on a Houseboat at Steubenville Results Fatally.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 26.—An Austrian woman was burned to death and a man killed by a powder explosion in a houseboat on the Ohio river near here today. The woman had tried to start a fire with gasoline. An explosion followed and she was burned to death.

Her husband and boarders escaped from the boat, but were unable to secure her body. One of the boarders, an Austrian, went back after money he had hidden, and was killed by an explosion of powder that he had stored in the boat.

Pittsburghers Married in Ohio.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—William McCann and Mary Palmer, George E. Carr and Bessie M. Fess, J. Watson Kidney and Sadie Brazell, all of Pittsburgh; William B. Knowles and Jennie O. Watters, Washington, Pa.; Howard A. Chambon and Ora F. Nice, Midway, Pa.; William H. Sanders and Elsie M. Boles, Eldersville, Pa.; Robert Scott, Jr., and Agnes L. Fleming, Wilmerding, Pa.; William R. McKelvey and Maude Ault, Kittanning; John B. Easton and Elizabeth Thomas, Allegheny; Franklin R. Weitzel and Leilt M. Watson Wilkinsburg; Charles H. Smith and Lulu M. Bryson, Uniontown; Thomas A. Simpson and Sadie Spiker, Edward T. E. Williams and Christina M. Schiller, Allegheny; Samuel J. Woods, Jr., and Rose E. Devlin, Pittsburgh, were granted licenses and married here.

SENT BLACKMAIL LETTERS.

New York Collecting Agency Sends Letters to Citizens of Ohio.

DEFIANCE, O., Dec. 26.—More than 200 letters from a collecting agency in New York have come through the local postoffice to Defiance people. The letters state that the recipients had received, a year previous, a certain amount of jewelry from a New York firm and that unless the sum due was remitted, suit would be instituted.

Many of these letters were addressed to persons dead or who had long since moved away. The postoffice inspectors have notified the local postmaster, instructing him to advise the recipients that the scheme was blackmail.

Steamer Passenger Kills Himself.

HAVRE, Dec. 26.—Officers of the French line steamer La Touraine, from New York December 18, which arrived here yesterday, report that a saloon passenger, Juan Echevarria, committed suicide by jumping overboard December 21. His body was not recovered.

Another Strike Due in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The 8,000 railway freight handlers of Chicago, whose strike last summer interfered with the industries of this city for three days, are preparing to demand more pay. The railway clerks organization is making similar preparations. Negotiations between the clerks and freight handlers are in progress.

Two Killed While Hunting.

DUBOIS, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Fred Gifford, aged 23, was killed near Penfield and Guiseppe Giovolli, an Italian, was killed near Anita. Both were hunting when the accidents occurred.

TOO MANY TRAVELERS SECURE COURTESIES

Secretary Shaw Issues Order Regulating Privilege Which Has Been Abused.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Because of the abuse of the practice of extending special courtesies to arriving passengers at ports of entry the treasury department has issued the following circular limiting considerably the granting of such courtesies in the future:

"The chief officers of customs are hereby instructed that the extension of special courtesies to arriving passengers will hereafter be limited to foreign ambassadors, ministers, charges d'affaires, secretaries, naval, military and other attaches of embassies and legations, and high commissioners, and to similar representatives of this government abroad returning from their missions. All the above officers are entitled by international usage to the free entry of the baggage and effects of themselves, their families and suites, without examination.

"In the case of invalids and their companions, and of persons arriving in charge of their dead, or summoned home in haste by news of affliction or disaster, instructions will be issued to facilitate the landing and examination of their baggage, but such instructions will be construed as only relieving such persons from waiting their turn in line. Their baggage will be carefully examined and duties in full collected as though no favor had been shown. The word "courtesy" has grown to have a meaning never intended and its use must be avoided in the issuance of personal consideration cards.

"No requests for special courtesies will hereafter be granted except under the above conditions. It is also found imperatively necessary in the interest of revenue to withhold the issuance of passes on the revenue vessels which carry the boarding officers to their assigned vessels; such passes will no longer be furnished except under the restrictions above set forth regarding courtesies and by the special authority of this department."

VOTERS WILL BE HEARD.

Second Ward Allegheny Citizens to Nominate Candidates for Councils.

A mass meeting of the Citizens party of the Second ward, Allegheny, has been called for next Monday night in Kenyon's hall, at which time nominations will be made for the candidates for council from the ward.

The meeting was ordered last night by the members of the Citizens executive committee of Allegheny after hearing the report of the special committee of five appointed to investigate the protest of the Citizens of the Second ward against the indorsement of three of the present members of council for re-election.

The candidates objected to are W. C. Burry, W. A. Ford and Samuel McElroy, all members of the North Side machine.

At last night's meeting a number of representatives of the Citizens party of the Second ward strongly advised that a mass meeting of the voters be called and this was also the recommendation of the special committee.

Changes in Rock Island.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—R. R. Cable, chairman of the board of directors of the Rock Island railroad, has signified his intention to retire from that position. He has been chosen chairman of the executive committee. Daniel G. Reid, who has been a potent factor in Rock Island affairs, will be chairman of the board, succeeding Mr. Cable. In Chicago the change is viewed as a proof of the Moore ascendancy. Mr. Cable is 70 years old and has been identified with the Rock Island system for many years.

Two New Blast Furnaces.

The Jones & Laughlin Steel Company is arranging to start the erection of two new modern blast furnaces next spring. These will add about 1,000 tons daily to the company's pig iron production, and will cover the requirements of the increased finishing mill output of the company. The plan to erect the furnaces has been deferred for some time because the blowing engine concerns are so overcrowded with work.

Dragged-Down Feeling

In the loins.

Nervousness, unrefreshing sleep, despondency.

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SEEKING FRIENDS AMONG BURGHERS

Joseph Chamberlain's Arrival at Durban Is Signal for Great Celebration.

HE STRENGTHENS MILNER

Declares Lord High Commissioner Will Be Aided in Every Way—Asks Boers to Join Hands With Britons.

[ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLE TO THE GAZETTE.]

DURBAN, NATAL, Dec. 26.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain and Mrs. Chamberlain, who left Portsmouth, England, November 25, on board the armored cruiser Good Hope, landed here at 10:30 this morning. They received a warm welcome from large crowds of people.

The long speeches made by Mr. Chamberlain in the course of the reception functions were notable for their strong tone of conciliation and for his expression of confidence in Lord Milner, British high commissioner in South Africa. Bearing in mind, seemingly, the rumors that his visit would lead to the displacement of Lord Milner, Mr. Chamberlain declared his belief that his visit would have the effect of strengthening the hand of Lord Milner, who, he hoped, would be as great in conciliations as he had been in the maintenance of the rights of the empire.

Referring to the war, the secretary said the Dutch and the British had fought in courageous rivalry. Between the two races, not kindred in origin or nature, such a struggle for supremacy had been inevitable. From that struggle two proud and kindred races would grow in mutual respect, appreciation and lasting friendship.

"Victor and vanished," said Mr. Chamberlain, "bravely played their parts. We scorn to glory in our triumph; the enemy need fear no humiliations in their defeat. Let us see, as Britons worthy of the name, that nothing be done to revive the animosities of the past. We must give our new fellow subjects equality of position with ourselves. We ask, however, something in return; it is with them that the issue lies. We hold out our hand and ask them to take it without thought of the past, but frankly and in the spirit in which it is offered."

Mr. Chamberlain elaborated his theme with eloquence and was loudly cheered. He announced, incidentally, the acceptance of the Boer offer to fight in Somaliland.

EARTHQUAKE CONTINUES

People in Andijan Are Using Railroad Cars as Dwellings—Red Cross Plans for Relief.

ASHKABAD, RUSSIAN TURKESTAN, Dec. 26.—The oscillations of the earth at Andijan continue. The people there are using railroad cars to live in; they are not leaving the town, on account of their business interests.

Committees have been appointed to prepare lists of the losses to life and property. In the Andijan district 15,000 houses were destroyed. Until the shocks cease guards will be kept on the railroad between Andijan and Fedohenks to watch for fissures along the line.

The railroad station at Andijan threatens to collapse. Barracks to be used as dwellings are being rapidly constructed and will soon be ready for occupancy.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—The Red Cross society is sending representatives to Andijan to organize relief for the earthquake sufferers and has contributed $17,500 to the relief fund.

PENNSY IN CONTROL

Consolidated Lake Superior Company Chooses Its Representatives as Directors.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Pennsylvania Railroad interests and their allies clinched their hold on the Consolidated Lake Superior Company today by electing four directors. These are Horatio G. Lloyd, president, and Thomas Dewitt Cuyler, vice president of the Commercial Trust Company of this city; Charles H. Tweed of Speyer & Co., bankers of New York, and Charles MacDonald, also of New York.

Three more directors will resign to make way for representatives of the banking syndicate, but these changes will not be made for several weeks. When the final changes shall be made it will be found that eight members of the old board will have been retained and that the syndicate has named seven new directors. As the board now stands, it is plain that Pennsylvania Railroad interests are in complete control, having already 11 of the 15 directors, as eight of the old members will be retained.

Old Homestead Destroyed.

Fire last night destroyed the fine old mansion of George Shaw in McKees Rocks. The house was occupied by Charles Schultz, a laundryman, but as he has been away from home for some days the fire was not discovered until it was too late to save any of the furniture. The shortage of water greatly handicapped the firemen and the building is a total loss. The loss is estimated at $3,000.

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CREEP OVER ICE OF FROZEN LAKE

Terrible Trip of Three Sailors from Ship to Seek Aid for Comrades.

NEARLY OUT OF FOOD

Crew of Hemmed In Steamer Living on Bread—Tugs Try to Steam to Rescue, But Fail. Men Still on Board.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

TOLEDO, O., Dec. 26.—The steamer A. L. Hopkins, which left Detroit last Tuesday morning en route to Toledo, and which was sighted abreast of Toledo light in Maumee bay yesterday, is now completely in the grasp of the ice and is in grave danger of being crushed and sunk. Today a tug attempted to reach her, but was able to go only within a couple of miles of the boat. Tomorrow morning another attempt will be made, when the tug American Eagle will be sent out to the relief of the boat.

This evening the mate and two sailors of the vessel came to the city after a perilous trip over the ice. They were nearly frozen and tell an awful story of the condition of affairs on the boat.

They were sent in by the captain to learn if anything was being done for the relief of the boat. According to the story of the mate the vessel had little trouble in getting through the ice until it reached the bay. Then it attempted to turn back to Detroit, but was unable to get through the channel it had made six hours before. Then the vessel was taken back to a point off Toledo, where it was caught in the ice.

The crew is living on bread and water. The only food the members of the crew had on Christmas day was a piece of bread, a slice of bacon and a baked potato. Since that they have had nothing save bread.

The greater portion of the trip across the ice was made on hands and knees.

DODGING THE TAX.

Tea Merchants Find a Way to Escape Payment of 10 Cents a Pound.

DETROIT, Dec. 26.—Hundreds of tons of tea will be shipped to Vancouver and Victoria, B. C., and sent back to United States firms as a result of decision of the United States federal court regarding the war tax.

When congress repealed the war tax the import on tea of 10 cents a pound was continued in force until January 1 next, in order to give merchants who had paid the duty time to dispose of their stock. In the meantime importations of tea were stored in government bonded warehouses on the understanding that they could be taken out free of duty after January 1. Now comes a decision of the United States circuit court that all tea now in bonded warehouses will be subject to the 10-cent tax, even if withdrawn after January 1. It is estimated that nearly 80,000,000 pounds of tea are now in the warehouses on which the duty would amount to nearly $8,000,000. To avoid paying the tax the owners will be forced to ship the bonded tea out of the county and bring it back after January 1.

NEARING HONOLULU

Bad Weather Makes It Probable That Connection of Cable May Be Delayed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—The following telegram has been received from the cable ship Silvertown, timed at 4 p. m., today:

"About to buoy the cable off the island of Oahu in about 450 fathoms of water. Up to this time 2,238 nautical miles of cable have been paid out."

The shore end of the cable, which is of a heavier type than the sea cable, will be spliced to the sea cable some miles off Diamond Head, which is to be the landing place of the cable. Until the splice is completed no further word will be received from the cable ship. It may take a day or two to complete the work.

Neck Broken by a Blow.

MARIETTA, O., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—At Graysville, Monroe county, Waywood Hull, it is alleged, struck Addison Hupp a heavy blow on the neck with his fist. Hupp's neck was broken and death was instantaneous. Hull escaped, but is being pursued. The families of both young men are prominent and wealthy. The fight was the result of a saloon brawl.

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WIFE'S GRAVE WAS HIS DEATH BED

Fred Bergmark of Home Street Shot Himself in Allegheny Cemetery.

HE DIED IN THE SNOW

Devoted Husband Was Crazed by Grief for His Wife, Who Died a Week Ago—He Leaves Two Small Children.

FRED BERGMARK.

Who Committed Suicide on His Wife's Grave, in the Costume of the Viking Singing Society.

Broken-hearted over the death of his wife, Fred Bergmark, of No. 5131 Home street, committed suicide on her grave in the Allegheny cemetery at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Ten minutes later he was found in the blood-stained snow by Robert Creighton, a grave digger. He used a revolver and ended his life with a single shot in his right temple.

A week ago his wife, Carrie, died at the West Penn hospital after an operation. Bergmark was 35 years of age and was employed as a furnaceman. He leaves a boy and girl of tender years.

Bergmark was crazed by grief. Yesterday he went to his home and opened the door leading to his wife's bedroom. Three times he attempted to enter the apartment, but his courage failed. Then he walked to the cemetery. He climbed the wall and sought the plot where his wife is buried. For a long time he stood by the snow-hidden mound in silence. Creighton was at work in an adjoining section, but paid no attention to the stranger until he heard the report of the suicide's weapon.

Dead on His Wife's Grave.

Hurrying to the spot, the grave digger found Bergmark stretched out in the snow, his hands clutching the cold earth as if to embrace the silent mound. He was dead and a small bullet wound in his forehead told the story. The revolver was still in his right hand. The body was carried to the office of the superintendent of the cemetery and later removed to the morgue.

Bergmark and his wife were devoted to each other. They were married six years ago. Early in December she was taken ill with stomach trouble and it was found that an operation was necessary to save her life. She was removed to the West Penn hospital and the operation was performed.

Mrs. Bergmark lingered until last Thursday and died. On Sunday she was buried from her former house in Home street. Bergmark was overcome at the funeral. His friends were compelled to draw him from the casket when the undertaker was about to secure the lid.

After the funeral he seemed to be calm. He went to live with his aunt, Mrs. John Elstorm, at No. 5165 Keystone street. His son Harold, 5 years old, he sent to his sister-in-law, Mrs. Niles Lindell at No. 5160 Keystone street. His daughter Hilda, 2 years old, was taken to his sister, Mrs. John Casper, in Stanton avenue.

Bade Farewell to Boy.

Bergmark sat in the house brooding over the death of his wife. On Christmas night he went to the home of Mrs. Lindell and talked and played with the boy. When he left he gave the little fellow some money and told him to always remember his father and mother. This was the last time he saw him.

Yesterday he left the house shortly after 3 o'clock and went to his former home.

Bergmark was a Swede. He was born in Charlottenbourg, Sweden, and came to this country when quite young. He was a member of the Viking singing society and was a good musician. Mrs. Bergmark was a German and 27 years of age.

Thomas Abercrombie, aged 60 years, well known in Sewickleye as "Old Man" Abercrombie, was found burned to a crisp yesterday morning in his home at that place. For years he kept a second-hand furniture shop, but had given this up, living in the old structure the existence of a hermit. The fire was discovered about 6 o'clock in the morning, and the building, with all its contents, was destroyed. The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed that the cold weather caused him to keep a roaring fire up all Christmas night, and that some of the adjacent furniture caught fire from the red-hot stove.

Max Lepesky, aged 26, a laborer who was struck by a train on the Panhandle railroad last Saturday, died yesterday morning of his injuries, at Mercy hospital.

Andrew Sunyeugh, aged 26, of No. 37 Chartiers street, Rankin, was struck and instantly killed by a lehr at the Carrie furnaces, Rankin, yesterday morning.

H. S. Burns, a machinist, of No. 4517 Friendship avenue, aged 26, and a widower, died at the West Penn hospital last night as the result of injuries received in the works of the Cruser-Kranstoner Machine Company, yesterday afternoon, when he was crushed by being caught in the machinery of a large crane.

Mrs. Louisa Parker, 81 years of age, was found dead in bed at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Homer Reynolds, at 1616 Mill street, Wilkinsburg, Christmas night. Death was due to heart failure incident to old age. Mrs. Reynolds and her husband are both deaf and dumb. Mrs. Parker had been making her home with her daughter for several years, and during the past few months had been in feeble health.

THE WEATHER.

Cold.

Pittsburgh will continue to rest in the grip of the frost king for the next two days, according to the forecast sent out from Washington, D. C., for this section last night. The prediction today is for cold and more snow and for tomorrow cold and fair. Yesterday morning at 7 o'clock the lowest temperature of the present cold wave was recorded, the mercury being 11 degrees above at that hour. At 5 o'clock in the evening the maximum, 18 degrees, was registered. The snowfall during the day amounted to .07 of an inch.

The Gazette weather service thermometers at Kaufmann's corner at the following hours yesterday registered:

12 noon	15 deg.	8 p. m.	17 deg.
4 p. m.	10 deg.	12 midnight	15 deg.

Time of sunrise today .... 7:24 a. m.
Time of sunset today .... 4:39 p. m.

Daily report for yesterday furnished by the United States weather bureau:

Time.	Bar.	Tem.	Hum.	Wind.	Weather.
8 a. m.	30.09	12	72	N. W.	Snow
8 p. m.	30.10	17	84	N. W.	Snow

Comparative temperature and precipitation for December 26:

	1901	1900	1899	1898	1897	1896
Maximum	42	28	18	34	39	32
Minimum	35	23	11	24	28	21
Mean	38	26	14	29	34	26
Precipitation	.01	.03	T.	.02	.01	..

Maximum temperature (5 p. m.)	18
Minimum temperature (7 a. m.)	11
Mean temperature	14
Normal temperature (for 31 years)	34
Deficiency in temperature for the day	20
Deficiency in temperature since Dec. 1	44
Excess in temperature since Jan. 1	152
Normal precipitation (for 31 years)	.10
Precipitation for the day	.07
Deficiency in precipitation for the day	.03
Excess in precipitation since Dec. 1	.78
Deficiency in precipitation since Jan. 1	4.51

Government Weather Report.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Forecast:

Western Pennsylvania—Snow Saturday. Fair Sunday; continued cold; fresh north winds.

Ohio—Fair; continued cold Saturday. Sunday, fair and warmer; fresh north to northeast winds.

West Virginia—Fair; continued cold Saturday. Sunday, fair; warmer.

Observations taken at weather bureau stations at 8 p. m.:

Indianap's	14	Snow	Des Moines	6	Clear
Columbus	16	Snow	Marquette	14	Snow
Washing'n	24	Clear	St. Paul	4	Cloudy
Kansas City	14	Clear	Bismarck	2	Clear
Cincinnati	16	Cloudy	Huron	2	Clear
Chicago	12	Clear	Memphis	20	Clear
Parkersb'g	16	Cloudy	New Orleans	44	Clear
Louisville	16	Cloudy	Denver	36	Cloudy
Philadelp'a	22	Clear	Salt Lake	54	Cloudy
New York	26	Clear	Omaha	6	Clear
Buffalo	18	Snow	N. Platte	14	Snow
Cleveland	22	Snow	Rapid City	8	PtCldy

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Splendid Program by Pittsburgh Orchestra Was Appreciated by a Small Crowd.

The attendance at the Pittsburgh orchestra concert, at Carnegie Music hall last evening, was the smallest seen at any of the evening concerts in a long time. A number of reasons accounted for this: There were two big subscription dances given in the city last evening, and a number of smaller social holiday events; then there was the Princeton hockey game. In all of these events those composing the orchestra's clientele were interested. Lastly, the weather was not propitious.

Those who did attend the concert had no reason to regret being there. The program was a delightful one. It was of a "restful" nature, in marked contract with the brilliant program of the week before. The principal number was Tschaikowsky's No. 6 symphony, "Pathetique," and B minor, four movements. It headed a program of entirely modern character in which each of the composers represented has a definite claim for recognition, and a fixed place among the composers of his own people.

The Tschaikowsky symphony played last night is admitted to be the noblest work in this form since Brahms. It is probably not too much to say that its dramatic and emotional characteristics are not equalled in any symphony by any composer of the present generation. It was the choice of musical Pittsburgh for the "request" program of last year and it may be said to share with Beethoven's fifth symphony the first place in the minds of those musically inclined hereabouts. As interpreted under Victor Herbert's direction last night it is, from every point of view, the most impressive number in the repertoire of the orchestra.

The soloist of the evening was Luigi von Kunits, the accomplished concertmeister of the orchestra. He played Bruck's concerto No. 2, D minor, opus 44, and two movements, the scherzondo and rondo, from Lalo's symphonic espagnole. In both he was superbly accompanied by the orchestra. Pittsburgh has never had a musician of more sterling quality or of higher ambitions, and never was this more clearly demonstrated than in the playing of Von Kunits last evening. He had a technique that is the equal of many of the foreigners who visit Pittsburgh, and, unlike many of them, Von Kunits' playing is marked by genuine sentiment. The two movements from the Lalo concerto made tremendous demands on his technique and superbly did he meet them. At no previous Pittsburgh appearance has Von Kunits had such an opportunity as last night offered.

The instrument Von Kunits used last night was a genuine Stradivarius, the property of Joseph W. Morris of the brokerage firm of Morris & Brown of this city, for which Mr. Morris paid $7,000. Its superb tone, full and rich, was splendidly exploited under the master hand of this brilliant musician.

The other numbers on the program were a characteristic group of three numbers by Bizet, Massenet and Dubois, introducing the second part of the program, all composers who have given French music a lasting value and a sparkling bit of ballet music by Rubinstein.

The same program will be repeated this afternoon at 2:15 o'clock.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT IS NOW OUT ON STRIKE

Wilkinsburg Volunteers Did Not Respond to Alarm and Citizens Extinguish Fire.

The volunteer fire department of Wilkinsburg has gone on a strike. When a fire broke out in a two-story dwelling at No. 321 West street, and occupied by James Lonecker, yesterday afternoon, it was discovered that no firemen responded to the alarm. An investigation followed, disclosing the fact that the borough of Wilkinsburg is without a fire department. Elmer Sarver, former chief of the volunteer company, with the aid of some citizens, extinguished the fire after it had damaged the property to the extent of $600.

The action of the volunteers is said to grow out of a breach of contract on the part of councils. At the meeting of that body on Monday night, four of the members of the volunteer company were elected members of the paid department, which will be in operation next week. The volunteers say they were promised a preference to the positions and that these promises were broken, for political reasons, but if they had been in the neighborhood of the fire yesterday they would have assisted, as citizens, in putting it out. They suggest that the members of the paid department respond to alarms while they are awaiting the completion of their new building.

CHAINED TO THE FLOOR.

Friends of a Maniac Feared That He Would Be Sent to an Insane Asylum.

Suffering from insanity, Clements Zardia, a Pole 35 years old, was removed from the cellar of a Polish boarding house at No. 1311 Penn avenue, where he had been fastened to the floor with a long chain for three months and taken to No. 3 police station yesterday afternoon. His mind became affected three months ago and in order to prevent him being taken to an insane asylum his friends secured a long chain and kept him a prisoner in the cellar, hoping he would soon recover his shattered reason. Yesterday he was taken to Marshalsea against the protest of his friends, who have a horror of insane institutions.

Although Zardia was chained like a beast he was well cared for. His friends fed him regularly and provided for him in every way. A long bolt had been driven in the cellar floor, a cuff was put on Zardia's leg and a chain 10 feet long was attached to the bolt and the cuff on Zardia's leg. Yesterday he became ill. His friends were frightened and Dr. E. T. Jenkins was summoned. He saw the man was hopelessly insane and notified the police. Zardia was removed to Marshalsea.

RAYMOND & WHITCOMB TOURS. Via The Pittsburgh & Lake Erie R. R.

Right from Pittsburgh at special rates, via the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie R. R., excursions will be run on January 6, 15 and 29, February 3, 17 and 19 and March 3, 12 and 17, in through cars to all California points, Mexico and Alaska. R. & W. experienced tourist agents are now located at P. & L. E. city ticket office, 357 Fifth avenue, Pittsburgh. Call or write for particulars.

AGED MAN RODE ON COW CATCHER

He Was Struck by a Locomotive Running Forty Miles an Hour.

SAVED BY HIS PLUCK

Alexander McKee Held on to the Pilot Beam of the Engine and Rode Three Miles With a Broken Leg.

While attempting to cross the tracks of the Pittsburgh & Western railroad near his home at No. 253 River avenue, shortly before 8 o'clock last night, Alexander McKee, 60 years of age, stepped in front of the Butler accommodation train, was thrown on the pilot beam of the engine and discovered by Engineer Frederick erber at the station and sent to the Allegheny General hospital, suffering from a broken leg.

McKee's ride, so he claims, was one of the fastest he ever had, and his escape from death seems little short of miraculous.

There were quite a number of cars on the siding, and as the old man was heavily clothed and had a large cap pulled down over his ears, he did not hear the approaching train.

He was hit by the engine, as shown by bent rods on the cow catcher, and hurled to the pilot beam, where he held on for his life. The train was running at over 40 miles an hour into the city, and on account of the cold weather McKee was almost frozen when he was found.

After he had pulled his train into the station and the passengers and baggage and express had been unloaded, Engineer Gerber detached his engine from the cars. It is always customary after this proceeding to inspect the engine to see if there is anything wrong before pulling further down the yards.

When the engineer threw his torchlight to the front of his engine he was surprised to find McKee lying with his back toward him, clutching a part of the pilot. The aged man was rescued from his perilous position. He was carried into the Pittsburgh & Western baggage room and questioned about the accident by the trainmen, but refused to answer them. McKee was very angry on account of the loss of his cap and said it did not matter much about his being hurt, but he wanted his cap returned to him.

When the Allegheny General hospital ambulance reached the station and the doctors were examining the man it became necessary to cut a part of his trousers in order to ascertain where his leg was broken. McKee made a terrible fuss about destroying his clothing.

At the hospital it was found his right leg had been broken just below the knee and that he was suffering from several severe bruises. His son visited him at the hospital, but he steadily declared to him he did not care to and would not discuss the accident.

Engineer Gerber said he did not see the man on the tracks at all, and did not know of hitting him until he found him lying on the pilot beam of the engine at the station. The last stop made by the train before reaching Allegheny was at Bennett station, and the engineer was trying to make up lost time.

McKee is well known in Allegheny. For several years he was watchman at the dog pound, but has not been working there for some time. He is not seriously hurt and the physicians believe he will be able to leave the hospital in a few weeks.

Gen. Miles in Peking.

PEKING, Dec. 26.—Gen. Miles arrived here today on a short visit. He will be received in audience by the imperial family and will review the Chinese troops.

ARMSTRONG SOLDIER TO BE TRANSFERRED

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—First Lieutenant James F. Edwards, assistant surgeon in the regular army, has been relieved from duty in the Philippines and upon the expiration of his present leave of absence, which he is spending with his folks at Slatelick, Armstrong county, he will report to the commanding officer of the post at Leavenworth, Kan., to be assigned to the department of Missouri.

MISS KNOX RECOVERS FROM SLIGHT ILLNESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Miss Rebecca Knox, daughter of the attorney general, was able to leave her room today after a brief illness. She will go in a few days to California to be one of the party of her uncle, Dr. Knox, which will sail from San Francisco January 3 for Japan and China. They will not return till next June.

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Prof. Elmer Gates, Eminent Washington Scientist.

Lewis Nixon, Shipbuilder, Designer of "Oregon."

James Wilson, Secretary of Agriculture.

Dr. George F. Shrady, Gen. Grant's Physician.

Surgeon General Sternberg of the United States Army.

Another thoughtful and startling article is by the great Danish philosophy, George Brandes: "The Magic Word for 1903."

Then there is a New Year's story you should read—a fantasy worthy of Washington Irving's pen. It is entitled "The Old Year Inn," by Howard Markle Hoke.

You have heard much of Elbert Hubbard and his bookmaking colony at East Aurora. If you would see Hubbard in his home life, and the Roycrofters at their work, read "In the Capital of the Philistines," by Martha L. Root.

Nor will you wish to miss the great page of "Fables for the Elite" and "Studies in Natural History," by Dorothy Dix.

There will be three of them in The Gazette tomorrow: "The Fable of the Wise Guy Who Managed His Wife," "Why Women Pursue Careers" and a study of "The Boy."

Two score of other articles and stories, every one a feature, will make this great New Year's number memorable. Read a few of the titles and authors in this splendid program:

"Pudd'nhead Wilson's Theory Verified," The Greatest Detective Feat Ever Accomplished, by Sterling Heilig.

"Giant Art Hills and Baby Emperor," an interesting letter from Darkest Africa, by Emma Shaw Colcleugh.

"Czar in the Grip of Low-Born Svengali," revelations of Russia's court intrigues, by Curtis Brown.

"King Edward and Sherlock Holmes;" William Gillette tells of his experience with royalty, by Vivian Charteris.

"Coal $12 a Ton and 100,000 Poor," a graphic picture of Paris misery, by Algernon C. Dougherty.

"Missing Children," by Felix L. Oswald.

"The Right Kind of Pride to Have," another confidence corner talk, by Grace Duffie Boylan.

"A Visit to Hastings," by Vernon H. Woolrich.

"Uses of Nonsense," by George Seibel.

"New Year Caller's Gowns," by Augusta Prescott.

"Beauty an Easy Art," by Katherine Morton.

"New Year's in Alps," by Jean Barandun.

"Year's Death and Birth," by Prof. J. R. Campbell.

"Ancient Taverns of Greater Pittsburgh," an absorbing chapter of our city's early history.

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THE SUNDAY GAZETTE IS SUPERBLY ILLUSTRATED

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Weather—Snow. Saturday, Dec. 27, 1902.

Christmas Leavings, a Half, a Third, a Fourth of Christmas Prices.

Without much ado you came for the underpriced Christmas left-overs in such numbers as to give the day an appearance of regular Holiday buying.

The discounts on Christmas goods are really worth considering. Many broken lots throughout the store are being sold for one-fourth the former prices and you know that means three-fourths less than they sold for in the regular way of retailing; same way with third-off—you get articles that sold rapidly for two-thirds more previous to Thursday. Among the odd lots of China and Pottery and Bronzes there is the richest kind of picking. And there are very many handsome bargains throughout the Christmas Furniture on the fifth floor.

If you are pressed for time by all means taboo anything you have on hand and come today and participate in this great Clearing Sale of Christmas goods.

Sample Reductions Amongst the Furniture.

Have not the time to go into detail on reductions in the larger Furniture and submit small pieces as a guide to other Christmas lines.

All Pipe Racks at half prices $1.25 Racks for 63c, $2 Racks for $1, $2.50 Racks for $1.25, $3 Racks for $1.50.

Telephone Cabinets, comical things and quite decorative, were $8, now $5 each.

Smoking Sets that were $1.25 are now selling for 75c.

Neat Cigar or Ash Holders, sold for 50c and 75c each, now selling for 35c.

Burnt and decorated wood Waste Paper Holders, formerly selling for $3, are now $1.50 each.

Rockers—a great bargain—

$6.50 for all Rockers marked $7.50, $8.50 and $10.

$10 for all Rockers marked $12.50, $13.50, $15, $16 and $18.

$15 for all Rockers marked $18, $20 and $22.

Foot Stools, covered with embroidered plush—sold for $8, now $4.

Sofa Pillows at Half Price.

There are so many Sofa Pillows scattered through so many different departments of the store that we must tell you these special Pillows are to be found in the fifth floor Furniture Department. They are beauties and are splendid specimens of the luxurious lounging Pillow.

At $1, sold for $2—covered with tapestry.

At $2, sold for $4—covered with damask.

At $5, sold for $10—embroidery and appliques on beautiful silks and velvets.

Coronation Souvenirs.

What is left of the lot that our buyer picked up in London will be sold for half prices. Neat art objects that will always recall the coronation of King Edward—sterling silver pieces gold plated, such as reproductions of antique Anointing Spoon dating from the 11th century, with very fine chasing in bowl; bronze Medals plated with silver, specially designed for the occasion; Coin Brooches, bronze, gold plated, etc.

Coin Brooches at 25c, instead of 50c.

Albums at 25c, instead of 50c.

Hat Pins at 50c, instead of $1.

Coronation Spoons, copies of the spoon used for anointing, at 50c from $1, at $1 from $2.

Coronation Medals, at $2.50 from $5, at $3 from $6.

Decorative Palms and Plants.

The Millinery Store is in the habit of using, through the season, many artificial decorative Plants for ornamenting the Millinery Parlors. Now, that the season is nearly over, we will dispose of them for the mere song. For instance:

25c and 50c for great big handsome Plants that are fit to grace hall, parlor, library or dining-room.

It is only fair to say, though, that there are not any too many of them. Today's the best time to buy.

Artificial Flowers—Half Price.

If ever there was a time to buy handsome Paris-made Artificial Flowers that time is now. Artificial Flowers are not alone for trimming hats. A delightful little nosegay can be made to do wonders in the way of adornment for the person, and a Flower or two, whether it be artificial or not, brightens up a decorative piece of anything admirably.

Artificial Flowers at 10c instead of 25c, at 25c instead of 50c, at 50c instead of $1. And an immense variety from which to choose.

New 1903 Muslin Underwear.

You have had the news of this Underwear in detail. Briefly, this morning, we desire to show you how far a dollar and its fractions will reach. Saturday is a fine day for looking over the stacks upon stacks of beautiful white Undermuslins.

25c will buy

Corset Covers of cambric, four rows of Torchon Insertion, running vertically in front, neck and arms; eye finished with lace edge.

Short Skirts of excellent muslin, finished with six-inch ruffle and three tucks.

Drawers of cambric, empire ruffle, edged with Torchon lace.

50c will buy

Night Gowns of muslin, yoke of tucks and two rows of Val. insertion, hemstitched ruffle on neck and sleeves.

Night Gowns of muslin, low neck and short sleeves, neatly finished with hemstitched ruffle.

Petticoats of muslin, deep umbrella flounce and dust ruffle.

Petticoats of muslin, umbrella style, finished with ruffle of embroidery.

Chemises of cambric, deep ruffle of Torchon lace at neck, run with ribbon, arms' eye finished with lace edge.

Corset Covers, full front, tucked back, Torchon lace insertion at neck, finished at neck and arms' eye with deep edge of Torchon lace.

Cambric Corset Covers, bias yoke of Val. insertion and lawn, lace edged ruffle at neck and arms' eye.

Cambric Drawers, ruffle, with plain embroidered scallop. Group of seven tucks above ruffle.

75c will buy

Muslin Petticoats, deep umbrella flounce with ruffle of embroidery.

Muslin Night Gowns, V-shape yoke of embroidery and fine tucks. Neck and sleeves finished with lace edge.

Cambric Chemises, neat embroidery insertion all around neck. Neck and arms' eye finished with ruffle of embroidery.

Nainsook Drawers, deep lawn ruffle with two rows of Val. insertion and edge. Group of tucks above ruffle.

Nainsook Corset Covers, full front, two rows of Val. insertion and edge around neck front and back, lace beading run with ribbon, lace edge at neck and arms' eye.

$1 will buy

Nainsook Gowns, low neck and kimono sleeves, finished with hemstitched bands.

Cambric Night Gowns, square neck, empire effect, yoke of neat embroidery and fine tucks, ruffle of embroidery at neck and sleeves.

Cambric Petticoats, deep embroidery flounce of lawn, with three rows of Torchon lace insertion and edge.

Nainsook Chemises, ruffle of Val. lace at neck with beading run with ribbon. Arms' eye trimmed with lace edge and lace edge ruffle on skirt.

Cambric Drawers, umbrella flounce of hemstitched tucks and fine embroidery, two groups of three tucks each above flounce.

Nainsook Corset Covers, tucked back, six rows of blind embroidery in front, arms' eye trimmed with ruffle of embroidery, neck finished with ruffle of embroidery and beading.

Half Price for Rugs.

Little prices in the first place for Smyrna Rugs and East India Dhurries, and now that they are down to half they seem all too small. Samples like these will be found all around you in the fifth floor Rug Department.

At $3 each, formerly $6—best quality of Smyrna Rugs, the Eagle Brand. Plain centers. Size 6x3 feet.

East India Dhurries blue and white Rugs:

6x3 feet—formerly $3—now $1.50.
7x4 feet—formerly $4—now $2.
6x6 feet—formerly $9—now $4.50.
10 feet 6 inches x 7 feet 6 inches—formerly $15 now $7.50.
2x9 feet—formerly $18—now $9.

Reduced Prices on Toys.

This is not an ordinary offering, such as are now on the tapis wherein little stocks of Toys bought for a few weeks before Christmas are cleaned up, but the overflow from the largest stock of Christmas Toys ever brought into Pittsburg, and sold in the sixth floor Toy Store, which is full of variety the year 'round.

Big table full of dressed Dolls and undressed Dolls—all sizes—at exactly half price. Some of them slightly mussed.

25 per cent reduction on mechanical Toys—Locomotives, Trains, steam and hot air Engines and their mechanical attachments. Not a thing wrong with them, nor any of their parts out of order.

Fancy pieces at half price—moving Animals and Figures on stands. These are from Vienna and are marvelous pieces of ingenuity.

Samples of amusing Games at half price.

Children's Illustrated Books, some of them famous, half price.

Dolls' Houses, Stores, Kitchens and Stables are sold at one-third of former prices, which in fact is saying two-thirds less.

Besides these there are thousands of things children will be glad to have, and that come in nicely most any day during the year—all more or less reduced.

Women's Jackets and Long Coats for Great Reductions.

All the Winter styles from the neat little Jacket to the long Coat are reduced in price, and the garments themselves represent in the making every cloth that is used in women's garments.

At $9, formerly sold for $15 and up to $20—the smartest kind and the dressiest of little Jackets.

At $11.25, formerly sold for $15 and $16.50, stylish Box Coats.

And for $13.75, a finer grade that sold for $15.60 and $18.

For $15 and $18, stylish fancy Coats that sold respectively for $20, $22, $23.50 and $25.

For $20, sold for $25 and up to $30, Monte Carlo Coats, Alexandra Coats and Walking Coats. Finer grades for $25 that sold for $32.50, $35 and $37.50.

Small Prices for All-Silk Ribbons.

The Ribbon Department is in possession of a great lot of handsome Ribbons of various widths that will be sold very much below their original prices. Details—

5-inch fancy Ribbons, 25c a yard that were 50c.

Plain Mousseline Ribbon—all pure silk—4½ and 5 inches—25c a yard, that were 50c.

5½ and 6-inch fancy Ribbons, plaid velvets and Pompadour effects, 50c a yard, sold for 75c, $1 and $1.25.

5½-inch plaid Ribbons, 50c a yard, sold for 75c and 85c.

Beautiful Pillow Ribbons, all pure silk, 3½-inch, 20c, were 35c—4 inch, 25c a yard, were 40c.

Cheap tables of fancy Ribbons, 15c, 20c and 25c a yard. No matter what the former price.

Girls' Winter Coats.

An opportunity for girls and young ladies to get warm, stylish Topcoats for prices very much below what the Coats formerly sold for.

At $5, were $7.50—half-length Box Coats of cheviot. Blue and brown. Sizes 4 to 12 years.

At $10, were $15—half-length Box Coats of light kersey. Sizes 4 to 12 years.

At $5, were $10, young ladies' short Jackets, blue, brown and black. These are lined with satin.

At $5, were $10—25-inch light colored kersey Jackets, lined with satin. Half-fitting back.

PENN AND FIFTH.

BELL AT WORK ON FLYING MACHINE

Inventor of the Telephone Now Turns Attention to Aeronautics.

FANCIES KITE METHOD

Sees No Reason Why Solution of the Difficult Problem May Not Be Reached Eventually. His Experiments a Success.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, who has just returned to Washington from his summer home in Cape Breton island, tonight made the following statement in connection with reports that have appeared in the public prints that he has invented a flying machine:

"The newspapers have been premature in announcing that I have been at work upon a flying machine. I haven't any flying machine at all, and have not been trying to make one. I am, of course, interested in the problem, and have come to the conclusion that a properly constructed flying machine should be capable of being flown as a kite if anchored to the ground, and that conversely a properly constructed kite should be capable of use as a flying machine if provided with suitable means of propulsion. My experiments have had as their object the building of a kite of solid construction capable of carrying up in a moderate breeze a weight equivalent to that of a man and engine, and so formed that it could be suitable for use as the body of a flying machine, and with supporting surfaces so arranged that when the kite is cut loose it will come down gently and steadily and land uninjured. I have successfully accomplished this, but do not care at the present time to make public the details of construction."

TOLD SISTER HE WAS VICTIM OF FOUL PLAY

It Is Believed That Andrew Johnson Was Murdered by His Companions.

Andrew Johnson, 27 years old, of No. 1821 Warner street, Allegheny, who was found in an unconscious condition under a freight car on a Pittsburgh & Western railroad side track near Morrison's stone yard last Wednesday morning, died at his home at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

According to the statement issued by his sister, Miss Edith Johnson, at her residence last night, Johnson was beaten by a number of companions, but the names of the suspects were refused. His sister is authority for the statement that her brother regained consciousness for a short time about 11 o'clock yesterday morning and said:

"Edith, they tried to kill me, but as soon as I get well I'll fix them all for it."

When the sister tried to get any information as to who had made the alleged assault on her brother, he refused to answer, and in a short time lapsed into unconsciousness, in which he remained until death.

Dr. R. L. McGrew, the attending physician, reported the case to Coroner McGeary after the death of Johnson yesterday afternoon, and it is being investigated. The Allegheny police are also working in the affair, and Detective Philip McDonough is on the case.

Johnson was a bronze worker, employed by the Damascus Bronze Company in South street, Allegheny. He is said to have been drinking heavily for the past week, and on Wednesday morning went to the office of the company to draw his money. It was refused him on account of his intoxicated condition.

Johnson was drinking with a party of companions in a saloon close to the Damascus company's office and several of the party accompanied him to the place to draw his pay. When he told them he could not get the money they believed the story and assaulted Johnson with the intent of robbing him.

Johnson's left leg was broken near the ankle, there was a clear-cut wound in his scalp, which looked as though it had been inflicted with a knife, his shoe was cut, evidently with a sharp instrument, and three sections of his vertebrae were dislocated.

Dr. R. L. McGrew said last night that there were many evidences that he had met with foul play.

MRS. LANGTRY IS NOT SEEKING A DIVORCE

Comes to America to Produce Her New Play and Display Her Gowns.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.

Mrs. Lily Langtry, known in private life as Mrs. Hugo de Bathe, arrived here today on the White Star line steamer Celtic ready to begin her American tour in the play in which she was commanded to appear before the king of England.

"The Crossways," as this dramatic offering is called, was written by Mrs. Langtry and a member of her company. It has attracted attention not only because of the circumstances under which it was first given and on account of its authorship, but also because in its course the star wears several gowns which have been praised as the highest perfection of the art of the modiste.

Mrs. Langtry this afternoon said that she had been remarkably successful in racing and that she was proud of her horse Smilax, who had made several winnings. Mrs. Langtry also said she was happy in her married life and denied a report which she said was always circulated when she came to this country that she was contemplating a divorce.

"My husband," she said, "does not like touring." A. H. Hummel, who has for several years been her legal adviser, met Mrs. Langtry at the pier.

Only three weeks have been arranged for the New York engagement of Mrs. Langtry, which begins next Monday night at the Garrick theater.

GOOD USE FOR TEN DOLLARS.

Christmas Is Over—Now Consider Your Own Comfort.

Are you a man? Are you a warm man? No! Why not? Is it because you need an overcoat with cloth, interlining and lining all intended to keep out the bitter cold, ward off the winter winds, retain all the body-warmth, and make you look as stylish as you are comfortable? Such an overcoat as this you can buy at Campbell's in the men's clothing department for $10. Others for $5. Still others so fine that they're bargains at $30.

FAMOUS CONFEDERATE OFFICER HAS EXPERIENCE WITH FIRE

COL. JOHN S. MOSBY.

(Special to The Gazette.)

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Col. John S. Mosby, the noted confederate cavalry leader, was severely burned about the hands and wrists at the home of his daughters, No. 13 East Franklin street, about midnight Christmas.

The colonel was here on a visit and was about to retire when a lace curtain ignited from a gas jet and the window was soon a blazing mass. Col. Mosby did not alarm the household, but coolly set about to extinguish the fire, which he succeeded in doing after considerable effort. He then retired without telling his daughters.

Later when the odor of smoke was detected considerable excitement resulted in the house. The smoke was finally traced to the colonel's apartments and fearing that he had been suffocated his would-be rescuers were about to break in the door when the colonel responded to their knockings and informed them about the blaze, exhibiting several painful burns.

NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT IN THE NEW MANSION

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander R Peacock Have House Dance With Cakewalk Features.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander R. Peacock gave a house dance last evening at their new mansion, "Rowanlea," in North Highland avenue, East End, that was a novel entertainment. Mr. and Mrs. Peacock have been entertaining a large house party over Christmas, including Senor and Madame Madrazo, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bedell of Brooklyn, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, also of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Mr. and Mrs. Swalm, Miss Marie Swalm, J. H. Neilson and others, and their guests last evening included 60 of their more intimate friends in the East End and Shadyside.

The dance was described as a cakewalk and the guests were requested to arrive in mask and wearing the negro costume. Consequently there were colored mammies and uncles galore and remarkable pickaninnies. The dance was given in the large central hall of "Rowanlea." The large rug and massive oak table were removed for the occasion and in the center of the hall stood an enormous Christmas tree, rising above the balcony on the second floor. It was gaily trimmed and numberless colored electric lights added to the beauty of the tree. Great ropes of southern smilax were looped gracefully about the balcony, while holly and scarlet ribbons were combined with admirable effect about the great hall finished in dark Flemish oak and the staircase at one end. "Merry Christmas" in crimson electric lights greeted the guests as they entered at the door opening on the porte cochere, the lights being arranged above the portraits of Mr. and Mrs. Peacock at the southern end of the hall. The Christmas decorations of holly and southern smilax appeared in the library, the billiard room and in the breakfast room, while orchids were employed in the drawing and music rooms and in the dining room, where supper was served at small tables.

An orchestra was stationed in the balcony overhanging the main hall, where the dance was conducted. It opened about 9 o'clock with a grand march in which all of the guests, in their comic costumes participated. After some general dancing the cake-walk was announced and rivalry for the prizes ran high. The fantastic costumes of the guests ran the gamut of gay colors, while turbaned locks were more numerous than the Parisian chignon. During the evening several songs were sung by a genuine negro minstrel quartet.

Mr. and Mrs. Peacock received informally on Christmas night, entertaining a large number of their friends. There was music and the Pittsburgh orchestra playing, and dancing by the young people.

The Annual Messiah Concert.

The next concert of the Mozart club's twenty-fifth season will be given at Carnegie Music hall Tuesday evening. The oratorio is Handel's "Messiah," which will be sung by the chorus under the direction of Mr. J. P. McCollum. The quartet of soloists comprises: The soprano, Miss Shanna Cumming; contralto, Miss Christine Miller; tenor, Ellison Van Hoose; bass, Gwilym Miles. As usual the Pittsburgh Orchestra will play the accompaniments. From year to year the number of solos and choruses presented at "Messiah" performances has gradually been diminished, on account of the modern tendency toward shorter programs. Last year the Mozart club's selection, while including all the favorite numbers, was much shorter than usual, and the same excerpts will be made this season. This arrangement enables out-of-town patrons to remain to the end of the performance and still be in good time to catch the night trains, and city patrons of the concerts, as well, appreciate the earlier close. The concert will begin at 8 o'clock precisely.

Preparing for Poultry Show.

The biggest poultry show ever seen in Pittsburgh will be held in Old City hall February 23 to 28, and many of the finest specimens of the feathered tribe will be on exhibition at the show here. This year a number of clubs from different parts of the country will meet with the Pittsburgh Fanciers' club. The American Owl club will exhibit about 600 owls of every variety known. Among the premiums are 20 silver cups, $2,500 in cash and many medals.

Got Her Needle Back.

Miss Carrie Beck, a milliner employed by Mrs. L. Schuetz of Sharpsburg, swallowed a needle several weeks ago and yesterday the fine piece of steel was discovered working its way out of her left hip. A doctor removed the wandering needle.

BRIDE HYPHNOTIZES RELUCTANT WIDOWER

Illinois Contractor Unable to Resist Spell—Tells Tales After the Wedding.

[Special Telegram to The Gazette.]

GREENVILLE, ILL., Dec. 26.—John Demaree, who was married at Clayton, Mo., last Saturday to Miss Pearl Thompson of LaGrange township, has returned to his home in this city minus his bride. Mr. Demaree is in a state of high mental excitement and states that Miss Thompson exercised a hynotic influence over him, inducing him to marry her against his will.

Mr. Demaree sent a carriage to the country last Saturday for Miss Thompson and the two went to Clayton, where they were married by the Rev. J. M. Stultz. Demaree now says the young lady saw him board the train and followed him, insisting that the marriage take place and exercising an influence over him he could not resist.

He says he became very ill and she made all arrangements for the wedding, telling the clergyman to make the ceremony short because Mr. Demaree was very nervous. He also declared the girl had him guarded to prevent escape and that after the ceremony they took a train to Rushville to visit relatives.

Demaree says he told his troubles to some friends there and with their assistance eluded his bride and took the train for Greenville. Soon after his arrival a telegram from Dr. Scott of Rushville was received asking if Demaree was here.

Demaree is a well-known contractor and builder and has the contract for the new Presbyterian church now building in this city. This is his third marriage. He is about 15 years the senior of Miss Thompson.

MANY SMALL FIRES

Two Houses Burned in Mt. Oliver. Storage House Has Blaze.

A defective flue caused the destruction of two frame houses, Nos. 155 and 157 Monastery avenue, Mt. Oliver, early yesterday morning. The first named house was owned by George Tier and occupied by John Liep, while No. 157 was occupied by the home and saloon of the owner, J. H. Zeilman. Owing to the altitude of the property the water pressure was too weak to aid the firemen, and the loss by the blaze will reach $8,000.

The residence of Mrs. E. Lynch, No. 1937 Wylie avenue, was damaged by fire to the extent of $400 yesterday morning. The neighbors started to carry out the furniture, but after a piano had fallen down the front stoop, carrying two of the volunteers with it, this was given up. An overheated cook stove was the cause.

The boiler house and storage room of the Pittsburgh Pulley Compa8ny, near Pike station, on the Pittsburgh, Chartiers & Youghiogheny railroad, was damaged $1,500 yesterday morning by a fire supposed to have been started by tramps, who slept in the place Thursday night. It was extinguished by the employes, who formed a bucket brigade.

An overheated gas stove set fire to a wooden partition at the residence of John Cline, No. 1058 Wylie avenue, yesterday afternoon. Loss, $25.

SIGNED THE SCALE.

Pittsburgh Steamship Company Reaches Agreement With Engineers of Fleet.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Private information from Duluth announces that A. B. Wolvin, general manager of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company, after a conference with the representative of the marine engineers has signed a wage scale for the coming season perfectly satisfactory to the men. The point at issue was the classification of the boats, which, according to the claims of the engineers, lost them $42,000 a season.

The action of the Pittsburgh Steamship Company has been awaited by the other vessel owners and it is believed that they will follow.

New Guard at McKinley Tomb.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 26.—Lieutenants Reece and Inglehart, with two sergeants and four corporals and 30 privates of company M, Third United States infantry, left Fort Thomas, Ky., today for Canton, O., where they will serve as the special guard around President McKinley's tomb. They will relieve a detachment of the Fourteenth infantry.

FARMER DIGS UP BONES OF RACE OF GIANT HOOSIERS

(Special Telegram to The Gazette.)

La Grange, Ind., Dec. 26.—A remarkable prehistoric graveyard has been unearthed on the farm of Solomon Hedrick, Henry county, near here. A large number of human skeletons have been found and all are eight feet and more in height. Hedrick bought the farm some years ago. Covering four acres is a mound 30 feet high, resembling a loaf of bread. When about 12 feet of the surface had been removed, the skeletons were found. The bones are mammoth in size and teeth are highly polished and well preserved. Trinkets, ivory beads, shields, made of bone and other articles were found in the graves. Hedrick will dig up the entire field in the hope of finding valuable articles.

HAMLINS WIZARD OIL

FOR RHEUMATISM, LAME BACK, NEURALGIA, HEADACHE, EARACHE, CUTS, WOUNDS, SPRAINS, BRUISES, BURNS, SCALDS, SORE THROAT, DIPHTHERIA, SORES, ULCERS AND ALL PAIN, SORENESS, LAMENESS, SWELLING AND INFLAMMATION 50¢ ALL DRUGGISTS

GOLDEN JUBILEE OF PASSIONISTS

Cardinal Gibbons Will Arrive This Morning to Attend.

WILL BLESS NEW ALTAR

Three Days' Religious Ceremonial in Monastery Church of St. Paul of the Cross, South Side. Rescript from the Pope.

Cardinal Gibbons will arrive at the Baltimore & Ohio station, Water street, in President L. F. Loree's private car at 7 o'clock this morning. He comes to Pittsburgh to participate in the golden jubilee of the Passionists, which will be celebrated in the monastery church of St. Paul of the Cross, South Side, with a three days' religious ceremonial, beginning tomorrow morning. The cardinal will be met by a special delegation of prelates, who will escort him to the monastery in the special car "Pittsburgh" of the Pittsburgh Street Railways Company.

The arrangements for the celebration have been completed and are of an elaborate nature. They have been in progress for the past six months. The congregation of St. Paul's has expended several thousand dollars in beautifying their building. The Rev. Michael made all the arrangements and will have charge of the celebration. During their stay here Cardinal Gibbons and the visiting clergy will be entertained at the monastery.

The cardinal will officiate at the solemn blessing of the "Crucifixion Group," a new marble altar, over the main altar of the monastery church. Among the other distinguished prelates who will be present are Archbishop Ryan of Philadelphia, Bishop Phelan of this city, Bishop Shanahan of Harrisburg, Bishop Donahue of Wheeling, Bishop Haid, vicar apostolic of North Carolina; the Rev. Father Baudinelli of New Jersey, and a number of priests from the Pittsburgh and neighboring dioceses.

Tomorrow will be the great day of the celebration and will assume the nature of a thanksgiving service. The representations of the crucifixion on the altar will be blessed at the beginning of the service, and this will be followed by high pontifical mass, which will be celebrated by Archbishop Ryan. The sermon will be preached by the Rev. Father Fidelis. The evening sermon, on the "Triumphs of the Cross," will be by the Rev. Charles Coyne of McKees Rocks.

Monday will be memorial day, and Bishop Donahue will officiate at mass. "The Sons of St. Paul of the Cross" will be the subject of a sermon by the Rev. A. A. Lambling of this city, and in the evening Bishop Haid will discuss "Religious Orders in America."

Tuesday will be "benefactors' day," when mass will be offered for the benefactors of the Passionist fathers, living and dead, and Bishop Phelan will preach on "The Work of the Laity in the Church."

The first Passionist fathers came to this city in 1852, and they now have spread to a number of the larger cities of the United States. The entire Catholic church of the city is interested in this event. On Monday of this week a special rescript was received from the pope conferring the following favor: "The holy father Leo XIII., at the request of the Very Rev. F. Michael, C. P., rector of the monastery, has by special brief graciously vouchsafed that his apostolic blessing be given on the occasion of the golden jubilee. His holiness furthermore grants a plenary indulgence, under the usual conditions, to all who attend the monastery jubilee church during the three days' jubilee."

ANXIOUS TO MARRY HIS LANDLADY

H. H. Beardmore, a Homestead barber, was fined $25 by Burgess J. C. Miller of Homestead, and was immediately arrested on charges of pointing firearms, surety of the peace, carrying concealed weapons and assault and battery. Beardmore has been rooming at the house of Mrs. A. Bigg in Fourth avenue, and is said to have never paid his rent. Payment was demanded Wednesday night and on Christmas Beardmore is alleged to have said that he would not pay and that if Mrs. Bigg did not marry him he would shoot her and showed a revolver, which was taken from him. He was held for court on each charge.

GRADE CROSSING AGAIN.

West Penn Passenger and Valley Freight Collide—One Man Hurt.

John Stoops of Leechburg was severely hurt yesterday in a peculiar accident on the West Penn railroad, near Kiskiminetas Junction, and was taken to his home in a special train.

At Kiskiminetas Junction the West Penn railroad crosses the tracks of the Allegheny Valley railroad. West Penn passenger train No. 21, bound for Allegheny, started across the junction, when the locomotive of a freight train on the Allegheny Valley dashed into the baggage car of the passenger train, smashing the car and splitting the train. Impelled by momentum the passenger coaches kept on and bumped into the freight cars on the other track, which were also going ahead by their acquired momentum. Stoops was sitting in the front part of the smoking car and was injured as the smoker jolted against the moving freight cars. The engine of the Valley train was slightly damaged, and the tracks were torn up, delaying traffic on both railroad lines for some time.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

The following marriage licenses were issued yesterday:

Herman Finkel	Washington county
Ida Klee	Carnegie
Clinton Scott	Pittsburgh
Lulu Beverly	Pittsburgh
Jake Altman	Westmoreland county
Minnie Lichtenstein	Pittsburgh
Joseph Giles	Cuddy
Mary Diggs	Duquesne
Frank J. Doohan	Coraopolis
Maude Artieline	Youngstown
Frank Iwanski	Carnegie
Antonio Ratztaska	Carnegie
John M. Hughes	Fayette county
Elizabeth A. Callaghan	Fayette county
Walter E. Heibert	McKeesport
Edna L. Brindle	McKeesport
William C. Merritt	McKeesport
Mary Glaab	McKeesport
Fred W. Hoffman	Tarentum
Anna Schneider	Brackenridge
Fred E. Smith	McKees Rocks
Minnie L. Robinson	McKees Rocks
Cal Havelen	McKeesport
Mary Dahlgreen	McKeesport
Patrick Kelley	Pittsburgh
Mary Joyce	Pittsburgh

FROST PINCHES; COAL IS SCARCE

Many Anthracite Mines Closed Down and East Suffers Fuel Famine.

MANY LEAVE HOMES

Families in Philadelphia Are Compelled to Seek Comfort in Hotels and Apartment Houses. Cold Wave Strikes the West.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Public Ledger Building.
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.

This city is face to face with a coal famine. Two factors have accentuated the situation. These are the present cold wave and the practical shutting down of the mines by the miners for the last half of this week for a Christmas holiday.

One large coal dealer, speaking today of the extension by the miners of their Christmas holiday beyond Christmas Day, said:

"The loss of a single day's output at this time is of the most serious consequence. Every curtailment means increased suffering, sickness, and possibly death. My coal yards are empty. There is practically no bituminous coal and no coke being shipped here to relieve the situation."

There is already much distress among the poor, and it is said that if the cold weather continues many more days this distress will become more severe. Hitherto the coal dealers have done all in their power to supply the small storekeepers and street peddlers with coal to be sold by the bucket so as to reach the poor, but this avenue of relief is being closed rapidly.

Many families in moderate circumstances are closing their houses and establishing themselves in apartment houses and hotels.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Only about one-half as much coal was received in New York today as has come in each day for the last month. As a result, dealers doled out the precious stuff in homeopathic doses, and then only to those whose demands were urgent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The cold is intense throughout the west and northwest. At St. Paul the thermometer registered 19 below zero, at Sioux City, Ia., 15 below, at many points in Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri 5 to 8 below. Heavy snow is reported all around.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 26.—Snow has been falling for more than 48 hours throughout the lower lake region. A high northwest gale has caused the snow to drift badly in places along the railway lines running into this city, with the result that much trouble is experienced in maintaining schedule time.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 26.—The coldest weather of the winter is reported today from many places south of the Ohio river. The temperatures reported to the weather bureau range from 6 degrees above zero at Evansville, Ind., to 46 at Galveston and 48 at Corpus Christi, Texas.

Natural Gas in Wyoming.

DOUGLAS, WYO., Dec. 26.—Natural gas has been discovered 13 miles west of here. The gas threw gravel and sand far above the derrick and was accompanied by a small flow of oil.

In Memoriam.

Marine National Bank.
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 26, 1902.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the Marine National bank, held this day, the following minute was adopted:

"This board has heard with keen sorrow and regret the announcement of the death of Mr. William W. O'Neil, for more than 20 years president of this bank. In him we lose a most faithful and valued officer, one who ever had the interests of this bank at heart, and who gave to the duties of his office his careful and close attention. We shall miss the wise and conservative counsel which he cheerfully gave in our deliberations, and the sound judgment, which prompted his advice. Personally, we lose an esteemed and valued friend, an honorable man.

"We extend our deepest sympathy to the wife and family of our associate, whose death in the fullness of his years of usefulness has bereft them of one, the memory of whose upright life and high character, will be a comfort and solace to them when time has alleviated their sorrow."

G. C. BURGWIN,
Vice President.
J. S. BROOKS,
Secretary.

THE BEST GIFT.

One That Will Grow More Valuable Every Year.

Give your boy or your girl or any child in whose welfare you are interested a bank book showing a first deposit, for Christmas or New Year's Day. Every youngster will be proud of such a present. You can open an account at the Pennsylvania Trust Company, 410 Smithfield street, with one dollar. Four per cent compound interest.

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Do You Need a New Office Desk?

The equipment of up-to-date offices receives special consideration at this store.

Look at these Desks.

They are the most modern procurable—every little device that contributes to make a Desk useful is embodied in these masterpieces.

This department is a revelation to most persons. First, the very magnitude of the stock is amazing—and the variety of styles is remarkable.

The department contains so many Desks, Chairs, Tables, Filing Systems, Card Indexes, etc., that you can readily find the very thing you require to improve the facilities of your office.

Price is always an inducement at

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PERUNA PROTECTS THE FAMILY.

Coughs and Colds. Grip and Catarrh.

The Roberts Family, of Falls City, Neb., Are Healthy and Happy—A Rare Sight in These Days. They Say, "We Think Peruna Is the Greatest Medicine on Earth".

No man is better known in the state of Nebraska than Mr. Carl T. Roberts, contractor and mason. A typical American—active, shrewd and full of business sagacity. He is not only a provider for his family, but a protector. In a recent letter to Dr. Hartman he writes, among other things, as follows:

"Our boy, James, had the membranous croup, and after he had recovered he was subject to repeated attacks of lung fever.

"Our boy, Charlie, was also subject to attacks of pneumonia and pleurisy. Our third boy, John, was subject to fever and ague (malarial) and liver trouble.

"Your remedy, Peruna, cured my boys entirely and now I have three of the healthiest boys in the state of Nebraska, which I attribute to your medicine. My wife had stomach trouble, which Peruna also cured.

"Altogether for my whole family we have had nineteen bottles of Peruna, and have thus saved over $500 in doctors' bills.

"I am a contractor and mason by trade, and am known all over Nebraska. I have had a stomach trouble which has been greatly relieved by your remedy, Peruna, for which I am still taking it. We think it is the greatest medicine on earth."

C. T. ROBERTS,
Falls City, Nebraska.

Mr. T. G. Walker, Carneiro, Kansas, writes: "It is with pleasure that I report that I am better than I have been for many years. I believe Peruna is without a doubt the best medicine that was ever used in a family. It has cured my nervousness, with which I had been afflicted for a great number of years."

It is a fact of ever-increasing astonishment that so many otherwise sensible and provident people will, for the neglect of so simple a precaution as to have a bottle of Peruna at hand, bring upon themselves the needless suffering and foolish expense that a practitioner of medicine is forced to witness every day.

A Family Medicine.

L. O. Summersett, editor of "The Messenger," Red Bank, N. J., writes The Peruna Medicine Company as follows:

Gentlemen—"I certainly feel grateful to you for putting such a great catarrh remedy on the market. I believe that more than half the people with whom I come in contact have catarrh in some form and I don't see why more of them don't use Peruna and get well.

"Myself and family were all sick a few days ago with stomach trouble and used Peruna with very satisfactory results and at one-third the cost it would have been had we called in a physician who could not possibly have prescribed a better remedy than Peruna."

L. O. SUMMERSETT.

"We Will Not Do Without Peruna."

Mr. James A. Stalls, Otego, Ill., writes:

"I can say that Peruna has cured my 4-year-old boy of the tonsilitis, and that of the worst stage. He had it last winter and I took him to three of the best doctors and got no relief. When I took him to the fourth his tonsils were so inflamed that blood was running out of them. The doctor said he could reduce them, so I used his medicine for four or five weeks and the boy got but very little better. There was a week or two that we thought he would choke to death in spite of all we could do.

"In looking over your almanac I saw Peruna recommended for throat trouble, so I wrote to Dr. Hartman in regard to my boy's throat. He recommended Peruna, and in less than two months his throat was well. I got one bottle of Peruna and it cured him sound and well. We will not do without it and will use it for all throat and lung trouble."

JAMES A. STALLS.

Peruna Kept in the House for Five Years.

Mr. Albert Lietzmann, 1536 Milwaukee avenue, Chicago, Ill., writes:

"I am only too glad to inform you that I am feeling splendid and have never felt better in my life.

"Through the advice of a friend I tried Peruna and am glad to say it cured me to perfection. I began to tell a friend about Peruna the other day and I had no sooner commenced than he told me his folks have kept Peruna in the house for the last five years. I am sure I wouldn't do without it. Mother also uses it to keep herself in good health."

ALBERT LIETZMANN.

Mr. J. H. Billings, Tyronza, Ark., writes:

"My wife and my little boy 6 years old and myself have been using your medicine. I was broken down and my wife had catarrh. I never saw anything like Peruna for a strength producer and appetizer." J. H. BILLINGS.

T. J. Walden of Jamestown, N. Y., writes as follows to Dr. Hartman:

"Peruna is curing my wife of female trouble and we both declare Peruna to be the grandest medicine on earth and it will always be a household remedy with us.

"Before taking your treatment I had not done a day's work for 12 weeks."

T. J. WALDEN.

As soon as the value of Peruna is fully appreciated by every household, both as a preventive and cure of these affections, tens of thousands of lives will be saved, and hundreds of thousands of chronic, lingering cases of disease prevented. Peruna is a household safeguard.

A complete work on chronic catarrh sent free to any address by The Peruna Medicine Company, Columbus, Ohio.

Begin the Year Aright.

The forehanded man is always the envy of his more shiftless neighbor, because he anticipates and provides for the future. The shiftless contemplates anticipation and continues contemplating—always going to turn over a new leaf—to save a portion of his income, but rarely does. Now is the time to get out of this old rut. A dollar or more will start an account with this bank which will earn Four per cent interest, compounded every six months. Assets in excess of $13,500,000.00 protect your savings. Write today for booklet No. 26. Tells how to bank by mail and other interesting things.

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EDWARD A. WOODS,
MANAGER.
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OFFICIAL—ALLEGHENY.

(No. 597.)

AN ORDINANCE—Authorizing the Western Bridge Company to erect, construct and maintain a bridge and its approaches over the Ohio river.

Section 1. Be it ordained and enacted by the select and common councils of the city of Allegheny and it is hereby ordained and enacted by the authority of the same, That the Western Bridge Company be and is hereby authorized to erect, construct and maintain a bridge and its approaches thereto over the Ohio river within the limits of the city of Allegheny, from a point on Preble avenue about five hundred (500) feet north of Wilkins avenue; thence in a westerly direction along Edison street to the right of way of the Pittsburgh & Western railway, and thence crossing the Ohio river to a point in McKees Rocks borough, in accordance with its charter granted to said company under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania, and in strict accordance with the act of congress approved April 30th, 1902, authorizing the construction and maintenance of said bridge over the Ohio river; provided, that the approach to said bridge shall be constructed under the direction and supervision of the director of the department of public works and in accordance with the accompanying plan.

Sec. 2. The said bridge company in the construction of the said approach and bridge shall be liable for damages to any owner of private property for any injuries which shall be done to his, her or their property in as full a measure as is now provided by law, notwithstanding the passage of this ordinance.

Sec. 3. The construction of said bridge and approach shall be commenced within six (6) months and completed within two (2) years from and after the passage and approval of this ordinance.

Sec. 4. The said Western Bridge Company agrees to indemnify and save the city of Allegheny harmless from all lawful costs for damages that may arise by reason of the construction of the said bridge and approach.

Sec. 5. Said bridge company shall file its written acceptance of this ordinance under its corporate seal, attested by its president and secretary, with the controller of the city of Allegheny within thirty (30) days after the passage and approval of this ordinance, otherwise the ordinance shall be null and void.

Sec. 6. The rates of toll charged on said bridge for foot passengers shall not exceed one cent per passenger each way; and for one-horse vehicles shall not exceed 10 cents each way, and for two-horse vehicles shall not exceed 15 cents each way.

Sec. 7. That so much of any ordinance as may conflict with or be supplied by the foregoing, be and the same is hereby repealed.

Ordained and enacted into a law in councils this 18th day of December, A. D. 1902.

F. J. TORRANCE,
President of Select Council.

Attest:
LAFAYETTE WILLS, City Clerk.
SAMUEL McELROY,
President of Common Council.
ROBERT DILWORTH, City Clerk.

City Recorder's Office, Allegheny, Pa., December 23, A. D. 1902. The above ordinance examined and approved.

J. R. MURPHY,
City Recorder.

ENCOURAGEMENT FOR M'ALEESE

Public Sentiment Evoked in Crusade to Curb the Speakeasies.

THE DIVES ARE CLOSING

Proprietors of Illicit Resorts Fear the Law and Prefer to Shut Their Doors of Their Own Accord—Raids Are Ordered.

So thoroughly in earnest are the people in Pittsburgh for the stamping out of illicit liquor selling that the co-operation of all classes of citizens is being offered to the police to further their efforts to clean the city. In this respect the agitation started by The Gazette has borne good fruit, and the day seems not far distant when the speakeasy and kindred evils will be curbed.

When the public was informed through The Gazette that vice was thriving in a startling manner in the downtown district, the best citizens at once awoke to the necessity of checking the increase of resorts of this class. Letters were received by The Gazette calling attention particularly to houses that were menacing several communities, and similar notices were given to the police.

The houses exposed by The Gazette have been closed. Others were raided and the proprietors were sentenced to pay fines. Many who had conducted their places in defiance of the law promptly closed their doors, fearing drastic measures. More than a score of speakeasy keepers are prosperous no longer.

Superintendent John McAleese of the police bureau yesterday reiterated his statement that he would pursue his policy of extermination until every illicit resort would be closed. He said:

"I have been acting in good faith with my superiors and the public in my endeavors to close the speakeasies. Inspector Will likewise has been busy searching for evidence which would convict all violators of the law. The Gazette has aided us, because its reporters could carry on an investigation which would balk the average officer. Every place exposed by the newspapers was promptly visited by my subordinates. Other violators were discovered while investigating the houses described in The Gazette, and in this way the work of ridding out illicit resorts was vigorously carried on.

"There are more investigations to be made and more raids will be ordered. I have been given a free hand and will exercise that power to the best of my ability. I am willing to let my record stand as a guarantee for this promise."

PENNSY SEEKS NEW MICHIGAN HARBOR

Grand Rapids & Indiana Will Buy Manistee & Grand Rapids.

The plan of the Pennsylvania to develop a new harbor for iron ore south and coal north on the Michigan shore of Lake Michigan is indicated in the coming absorption of the Manistee & Grand Rapids by the Grand Rapids & Indiana. The latter road is controlled by the Pennsylvania Company.

The changes in ownership will be made about January 1.

The line is 50 miles long and runs from a connection with the Grand Rapids & Indiana at Tustin, Mich., to the harbor of Manistee. It practically parallels the Pere Marquette, which has recently become a very aggressive factor in the Michigan railroad situation, and is branching out eastwardly. Through the purchase of the Ann Arbor railroad, the Wabash will also be a factor in this southbound ore and northbound coal trade.

LAST CHAPTER WRITTEN.

Mary Hartwell Catherwood, Well-Known Authoress, Dies of Cancer at Her Home in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood, the well-known authoress, died at her residence, 4852 Washington avenue, tonight of cancer. Mrs. Catherwood was taken ill in October and steadily declined.

Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood.

The funeral service will be held Sunday and interment will be at Hoopeston, Ill., her old home.

Mrs. Catherwood is survived by her husband, John Steel Catherwood, and a daughter.

INVESTIGATION TO BE RIGID.

Wreck on Ft. Wayne Will Be Thoroughly Probed.

A rigid investigation into the causes of the wreck on the Ft. Wayne Christmas eve at Quaker Valley will be made as soon as all the men can be brought together to give testimony. It was thought by the Ft. Wayne officials last night that the case will be heard Monday.

The condition of all the victims of the accident continues to improve. At the Mercy hospital Charles Hopkins, the conductor, who was the most seriously hurt, was said to be somewhat improved and there is hope of his recovery.

Took Too Much Medicine.

Mrs. Hamilton French of Neel street, West Homestead, is in a critical condition. Mrs. French has been ill and her physician prescribed a medicine which she was to take in doses of two teaspoonfuls. Yesterday morning she swallowed two tablespoonfuls of the medicine and became violently ill. Drs. C. C. Rinard and J. E. Gaddis relieved her somewhat, but it is feared the overdose of medicine will result fatally.

WINTER SPORTS IN FULL SWING

Sleighbells Jingle Merrily in Streets, Parks and the Boulevards.

SKATING IS EXCELLENT

Silver Lake Is Crowded and Lake Carnegie Opens Today—Merry Crowds Out in Force to Enjoy Old-Fashioned Winter Joys.

The merry jingle of sleigh bells and the clanging of skates yesterday recalled to Pittsburghers all the cherished memories of the "old-fashioned" winter. In the East End district and in all the suburban towns, the thoroughfares were filled with stylish cutters and every pond was peopled with jolly skaters.

The day likewise marked the opening of the season of chicken and waffles, and the winter girl, dainty and snug in her warmest furs, was the picture of rare good humor. Jack Frost had done his share and the only drawback to the perfect enjoyment of a sleighing party was in the absence of moonlight.

The sleighing season in this city always takes the liverymen by surprise, and it was amusing to see them yesterday morning getting out their cutters from the storage loft in order to supply the demands made upon them by hundreds of impatient patrons. With the liveryman time is money, in every sense of the word, when the snow falls. Three dollars an hour for a cutter means much to him, and more than one sleigh left the stable yesterday with the dust of a year obscuring the glitter of its varnish.

There are few sleighs that were not called out yesterday afternoon and the boulevards were thronged throughout the day. In the evening happy crowds in big four-horse bobsleds got out and made the chilly night air ring with shouts of merriment. Owners of fast horses took advantage of the opportunity for speeding and there were several brushes on the boulevard.

It is a prosperous season for the road houses, and many impromptu parties were organized to ride over the country roads, where sleighing is in its prime. Another inch of snow will improve the condition of all thoroughfares and promises the best sleighing Pittsburgh has had in many years.

Outdoor skating is in full swing. The frost last night hardened the ice on the ponds in the parks and thousands of pairs of steel blades will be buckled on today for use on the crystal of nature's own freezing. Skating on Silver lake began on Christmas night and yesterday the ice was crowded. Today Lake Carnegie in Highland will be opened. The skaters will be allowed to remain on the ice until 10 o'clock at night.

At Silver lake no park restrictions stand in the way and the young people are free to enjoy their glide over the ice until the early hours of the morning. The ponds in Schenley park and the Allegheny parks accommodated several thousand merrymakers yesterday.

MUSICAL TREATS.

Elaborate Programs for Pittsburgh and Allegheny Organ Recitals.

Especially elaborate programs have been prepared for the organ recital this evening and Sunday afternoon at the Carnegie music hall in Pittsburgh and the recital this afternoon in the Allegheny music hall. The program for the Pittsburgh recital this evening by Organist Edwin H. Lemare is as follows:

Schiller March .... Meyerbeer
Romanza .... Tschaikowsky
Shatn sans Paroles .... Tschaikowsky
Vorspiel, Act III., "Parsifal" .... Wagner
Prelude and Fugue in G Minor .... Bach
Intermission of Five Minutes.
Elevation .... Guilmant
Marche Nuptiale .... Guilmant
Improvisation.
Overture, "Tancred" .... Rossni

At the Allegheny concert City Organist H. P. Ecker will be assisted by Adolph Rosen of Chicago, violinist, and Miss Mabel D. Chester, contralto. The following program will be rendered:

Organ—Wedding Warch from Midsummer Nights' Dream .... Mendelssohn
Organ—Serenade in B .... Widor
Valse lente from Copelia .... Delibes
Organ—Overture La Muttee di Portici .. Auber
Violine Solo—Gipsey Dance .... Sarasate
Mr. Adolph Rosen.
Organ—(a) Elsa Entering the Cathedral, from Lohengrin .... Wagner
(b) Pilgrims Chorus from Tannhauser .... Wagner
Organ—Offertire in D flat .... Salome
Contralto Solo—Page Song from "Hugenots" .... Meyerbeer
Miss Mabel Chester.
Organ—Andante from Sonati in A .. Lemaigne
Nocturne in E .... Chopin
Patronilla d' Enfantine .... Gillet
Violin Solo—Adagio .... Vieuxtemps
Mr. Adolph Rosen.
Organ Chorus—"The Heavens are Telling of the Glory of God," from the Creation .... Haydn

ZELIE DE LUSSAN VICTIM OF CUPID.

LINCOLN, NEB., Dec. 26.—Mlle. Zelie de Lussan, the prima donna, announced today in Lincoln that she would marry Menrico Robeido of Brazil and leave the stage. The marriage will take place some time in April, 1903, in New York city, where they will live.

Two Soldiers Wounded.

HELENA, MONT., Dec. 26.—Two soldiers, Ganz and Robinson, of the Twenty-fourth infantry, were wounded in a saloon fight near Fort Assinaboine last night. Ganz shot Robinson and was himself shot and fatally injured by A. M. Groves, proprietor of the place.

EXPECT BETTER LUCK LATER ON

City Electric Company's Friends Think the February Election May Help It.

FIGHTING 5-PER-CENT TAX

If Clause Is Insisted Upon Next Monday in Common Council the Ordinance Will Be Withdrawn—Citizens Are Divided.

If common council passes the City Electric ordinance with the 5 per cent tax clause inserted the bill will be withdrawn until after the February election, or held up by select council at the request of the company. C. G. Elwood, a representative of the City Electric Company, is the authority for the statement that all electric light bills will be held up until after the election. Representatives of the company insist that their ordinance will be passed afer the February election in the shape that the company desires. They claim to have the political backing necessary to accomplish this.

The ordinance will be reported to common council next Monday night, and the reform leaders will make an effort to put it and the other electric light bills through under a suspension of the rules. The supporters of the City Electric Company will first make a fight to amend the ordinance by striking out the tax clause. If they fail in this, they will oppose a suspension of the rules and may be able to command enough votes to hold the ordinance over for another meeting, to be passed on a separate reading.

Citizens' Councilmen Divided.

The Citizens members of common council are divided into two factions. The majority faction is led by President Crawford, W. H. Stevenson, Thomas M. Brown, J. C. Wasson and others. The other Citizens faction has no permanent leader. D. J. Bole and Dr. J. P. Sterret of the Nineteenth war have alternated in assuming this role. In the fight over the Pennsylvania and Wabash railroad bills Mr. Bole led the faction opposed to restricting the Pennsylvania company. At the succeeding meeting Dr. Sterret presented the resolution compelling the Wabash to raise its tracks on Duquesne way in the interest of the Pennsylvania company.

In the fight in the corporations committee Mr. Bole was conspicuous in the effort to leave the City Electric Company untaxed.

Alliance With Machine Members.

While the Stevenson, Wasson an Crawford faction has more votes than the faction led by the Ninth ward members, the latter has generally won by a narrow margin in votes on franchises by having the assistance of the machine members.

In this peculiar line-up of councilmen on franchises prophets see developments of important political significance. It is predicted by some that this alliance of the machine members with the minority faction of the Citizens will be amplified in the fight for recorder.

The hope of the City Electric Company and other concerns to escape taxation is based upon the belief that this alliance will be continued in common council and possibly extended to select branch.

The independent Citizens are preparing to defeat the scheme to delay action on the City Electric ordinance until after the election. They will not only attempt to pass the City Electric ordinance with the 5 per cent tax clause inserted, but will try to put through a general franchise ordinance as speedily as possible. The general ordinance will be introduced in common council next Monday night by W. H. Stevenson and will be referred to the finance committee. The finance committee will meet during the week and will probably report it to the next meeting of common council, which may hold a special session on the following Monday.

The anti-tax members and the representatives of corporations that are fighting taxation declare that if even common council does pass a general franchise ordinance it will be held up in select council.

AFFECTS THE TREASURERS.

Court Decision Will Reduce Fees of Officials in Many Counties.

WILKESBARRE, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Judge Wheaton of Luzerne county handed down a decision today which, if it is sustained by the supreme court, will reduce the fees of the treasurer of Philadelphia county from $12,000 to $10,000 a year and treasurers of other counties having over 150,000 population proportionately. He determines that Treasurer Kirkendall is entitled to only one-fourth of the commission on taxes on property for state purposes instead of three-fourths, as he had been retaining under the opinion of the state attorney general.

Judge Wheaton decides that the tax is sent to the state treasurer so that he may take out that portion which belongs to the state and pay over the balance to the counties, but that does not make it state money, and the country treasurer, being paid for county work, is not entitled to the commission on county money. It means a loss of only about $300 in this county.

One Killed, Three Injured.

RIDGEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 26.—One man was killed and three injured, one probably fatally, on the Erie railroad tracks here today. The man killed was Edward Martin of Berea, O. The four men were walking on the track.

"Be wise to-day; 'tis madness to defer"
—Young's "Night Thoughts"

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Very brilliant indeed was the dance given tonight by the Italian ambassador and Senora Mayor des Planches for Miss Alice Roosevelt. The stately embassy was prettily decorated with Christmas greens intermingled with spring blossoms. The ambassador and Senora Mayor received their guests, about 150 in number, in the long suite of drawing-rooms, the senora beautifully gowned in rose silk elaborately trimmed with rare old lace with which were worn strands of pearls. The dancing was in the handsome ballroom. Champagne and punch were served in the main dining-room, where the great chandelier over the table was hung with laurel and holly, the table brilliant with silver and glass, blossoms, and red capped candelabra. Descending the red-carpeted stone steps to the breakfast room were found the buffet and supper tables, each decorated with narcissus and pink roses.

Among the guests were the Russian ambassador and Countess Marguerite Cassini, the British ambassador and Lady Herbert, the charge d'affaires of the French embassy and Mme. de Margeric, the Swedish minister, Mr. Grip, the Austrian ambassador and Baroness von Gengelmuller.

Miss Roosevelt wore a dainty gown of white mousseline and lace. This is the first of a series of dances the ambassador and Senora Mayor will give this winter.

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ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—Count Tolstoi has sent a personal appeal to the press asking the papers, in view of his advanced age and illness, not to publish any further reports of his condition, as they cause him pain.

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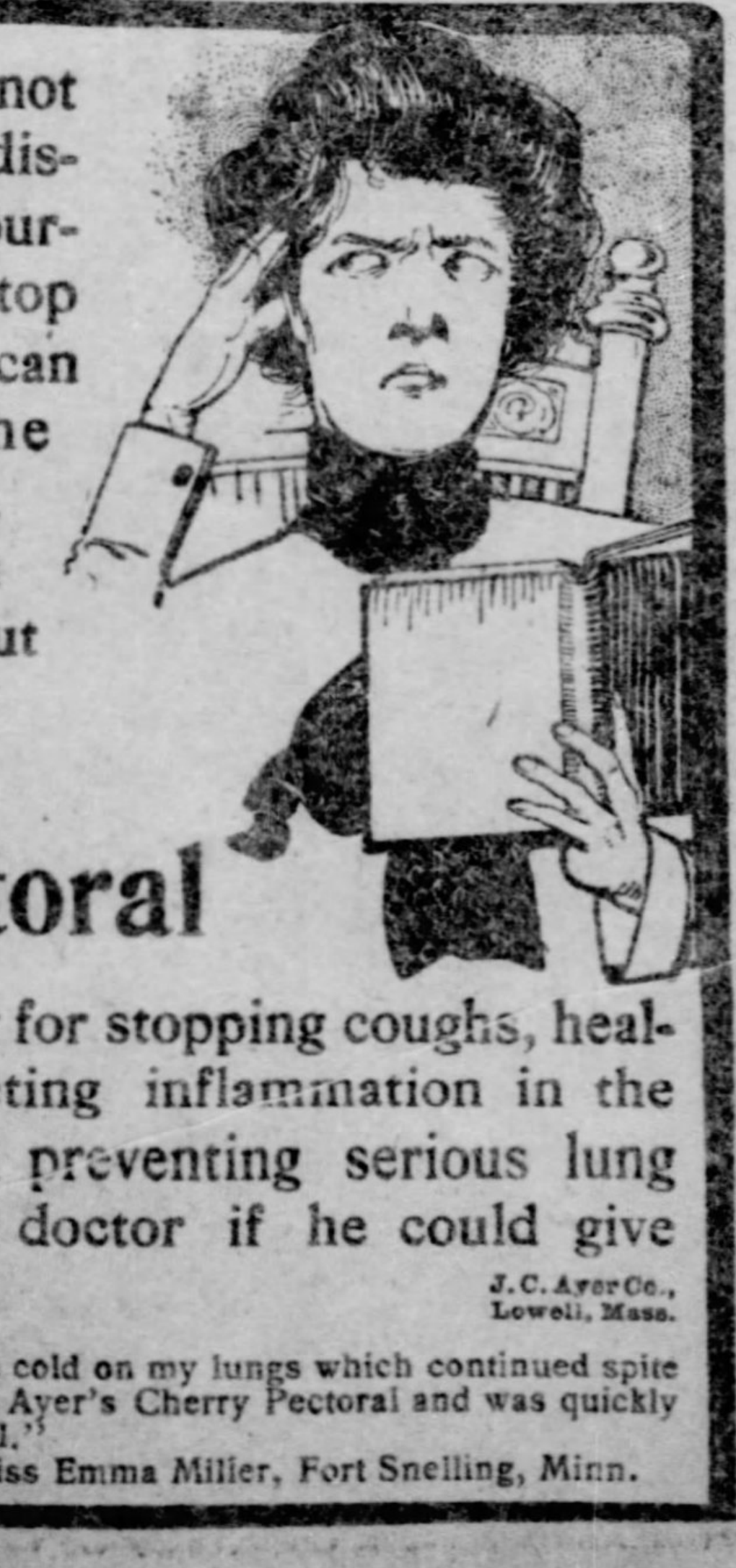

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DEATHS.

ADDY—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at 3 p. m., MRS. SARA ADDY, aged 90 years, widow of George Addy.

Funeral on Sunday, December 28, at 2 p. m., from the residence of her son, John M. Addy, Heberton heights, Stewart street. Interment private.

BIMEMILLER—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at 8 a. m., GEORGE BIMEMILLER, in his 50th year.

Funeral service at the residence of his stepbrother, Phillip Steinmiller, Stowe township, Pa., on Sunday, December 28, 1902, at 2 o'clock. Interment at Mt. Calvary cemetery, Stowe township, Pa.

BROWN—On Thursday, December 25, 1902, at 1:05 p. m., HELEN B. BROWN, in her 43d year.

Funeral services at St. James' Catholic church, Sewickley, Pa., on Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

COOPER—On Christmas morning, December 25, 1902, at 2 o'clock, at the family home, No. 416 Sandusky street, Allegheny City, BRINTON R., son of Benjamin R. and Bessie Cooper.

Interment private.

DE BETES—On Thursday, December 25, 1902, at 1:45 a. m., ROZALIE DE BETES, relict of Louis De Betes, aged 75 years, 7 months.

Funeral from her late residence, No. 1524 Penn avenue, on Saturday morning at 8:45 o'clock. Solemn requiem mass at St. Philomena's church, at 9. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

POOLEY—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at 3:30 p. m., at the family home, Bridgeville, Pa., CATHERINE J., eldest daughter of the late William and Mary Pooley.

Funeral services on Monday at 1 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

FORSE—On Friday, December 26, 1902, CAPT. DAVID FORSE, aged 82 years.

Funeral tomorrow afternoon from residence of his son-in-law, George Hammond, No. 312 Oneida street, Duquesne heights, at 2 o'clock. Friends and relatives are invited.

JOHNSTON—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at his residence, No. 1321 Warner street, Allegheny, ANDREW A. JOHNSTON, son of David and Elizabeth Johnston, aged 27 years and 11 months.

Notice of funeral later.

NEEB—On Tuesday, December 23, 1902, at 10 p. m., MRS. ELIZABETH NEEB (nee Voegtly), widow of William Neeb, aged 75 years 10 months 1 day.

Funeral services on Saturday, December 27, at 2 p. m., at her late residence, No. 210 Stockton avenue West, Allegheny. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend. Interment private.

O'NEIL—On Friday, December 26, 1902, at 5:15 a. m., at his residence, Elizabeth, Pa., W. W. O'NEIL, in his 73d year.

Funeral services at his late residence Monday at 11 a. m. Train leaves Lake Erie station at 9 o'clock, city time.

ORTH—On Thursday, morning, December 25, 1902, MARY L. HOPPER, wife of George S. Orth of Bridgeville, Pa.

Funeral services will be held at the Bridgeville Presbyterian church on Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Train leaves Union station, Pittsburgh, at 12 o'clock, noon, city time.

SPEER—On Thursday, December 25, 1902, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. R. H. McKown, Robinson township, MRS. ROBERT SPEER, widow of Robert Speer, on her 76th birthday.

Funeral services on Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock. Friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend.

SOHN—On Thursday, December 25, 1902, at Harmarville, Pa., PHILIP SOHN, aged 51 years.

Funeral from the residence of his sister, Mrs. Phillipine Sohn, 565 Stokes avenue, North Braddock, Pa., on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1902.

TWELVE PAGES.

Secretary Shaw says that there will be no currency legislation at the present session of congress, his interviews with senators and representatives having convinced him of that fact. The excuse given is there will not be time to consider it, but this is a mere pretext. What may be regarded as the most important financial measure which ever passed congress—the act for the resumption of specie payment—was passed at the short session. The fact is that the senatorial hold-up has paralyzed the legislative function of congress in any matter on which there exists important differences of opinion.

An example of the exacting way in which the English court enforces contracts is offered by a recent action brought by the Wearmouth Coal Company against 293 miners. They were charged with violation of contract by absenting themselves from work November 26. The company claimed $1 25 damages from each man and half as much from each boy, and judgment was given in its favor. While the English law is in advance of our own in enforcing regulations guarding the health and safety of labor, and in holding employers to liability for preventible injuries sustained by their men in doing their work, yet it is also exacting in compelling the men to live up to their contracts.

Pittsburgh is being touched by the first severe cold wave of the season and is quite comfortable. With an ample supply of natural gas, bituminous coal and oil fuel it might defy much lower temperatures throughout the winter than it is likely to have. It is not so in the northwest, however, where the second intensely cold wave has been holding sway for several days. The coal supply in that region is very short. On the farms they continue to burn wood and corn to a considerable extent and are faring much as usual, but the towns are already suffering from a shortage of fuel just on the threshold of winter. There will be much distress on this account through January and February despite the best efforts of the railroads to get a supply through.

Philadelphia Republicans have finally decided upon a candidate for mayor to succeed Samuel Ashbridge in the person of District Attorney Weaver. Mr. Weaver has given general satisfaction as prosecuting attorney, having even won the encomiums of the Wanamaker and Democratic newspapers. It is expected he will muster the united Republican party support for election, and he will need the united support of the public in the conduct of the office after election. Mayor Ashbridge has, during his term, "piled it up" on the Quaker City so the administration of his successor is bound to be difficult. The Republican organization has been fortunate to find a man as popular as District Attorney Weaver, and if the public bears in mind the difficulties of the situation the new mayor may come through successfully.

It is now openly announced upon authority that if the tax clause is not taken from the City Electric ordinance on Monday evening the measure will be withdrawn to be reintroduced after the February election. The Gazette discussed a rumor of this purport a few days ago, and what it said then applies to the authoritative announcement. There is but one proper course to pursue in the granting of franchises for corporations to occupy the streets of the city, and that is to exact compensation. The tax on gross receipts is the generally approved form for such compensation. The City Electric Company presents no aspect that calls for special privileges or exemption. The city needs revenues to carry out a progressive policy. If the promoters are unwilling to contribute a just share they have the privilege of withdrawing their franchise application.

Superintendent McAleese avers unconditionally that he has a free hand to put the speakeasies out of business and that he is going to do it. That is, at least, definite. If the speakeasies do not disappear within a reasonable time the police superintendent will have to bear the blame, whether guilty or not, for he has himself assumed the responsibility. Incidentally he acknowledges the assistance given by The Gazette in disclosing certain places, though we must differ in opinion from him when he says it is more difficult for his officers than for our reporters to obtain information. The places exposed by The Gazette were run "wide open" and might have been visited by any moderately intelligent officer in plain clothes, if not by policemen in uniform, and we are inclined to believe their character was known to patrolmen. However, the main point is what the police bureau will do in the future, and we hope the good record Mr. McAleese made as an inspector will be more than sustained by Mr. McAleese the superintendent. If so, Pittsburgh will be the gainer in respectability and morality.

When the Cuban reciprocity bill was held up in the senate last session the excuse was that consideration would open the way to a general overhauling of the tariff, and assurances were given that there would be no difficulty about the ratification of a reciprocity treaty, although a two-thirds majority is required. Now that a reciprocity treaty has been negotiated the position is being taken that it shan't be passed any way. Senator Burrows of Michigan, who was a leader in the hold-up, intimates that the real decision will rest not with the Republican party in congress, but with the National Association of Beet Growers, which meets in Washington January to consider the effect of the treaty. Of course it will be easy to defeat the treaty, for it can simply be hung up among the other reciprocity treaties which have been negotiated in pursuance of Republican platform pledges and by the specific authorization of the Dingley tariff law. The present legislative practice in the senate does not apparently differ from that of Poland, whose diet could not act except by unanimous consent.

It may be remembered that cable dispatches recently made reference to the influence acquired over the czar by a French occultist known as Dr. Philippe. The London Times, which is not prone to careless statements, makes public a remarkable story about the existence in France of a secret university which grants degrees in occult science. A physician and mesmerist at Lyons, named Philippe Nizier, but commonly known as Dr. Philippe, stood high in this occult society and it is he to whom the czar became attached. Members of the society acquired influence at St. Petersburg as long ago as 1880, and through such connections Dr. Philippe was invited to St. Petersburg, whither he went from Lyons some time ago. He was introduced to the czar by a member of the imperial family and acquired such an influence that he was consulted constantly both on state and family affairs, until the situation became intolerable to the ministers of the czar. The story reads like an anecdote of medieval superstition, but the spread of belief in occult powers is undoubtedly a manifestation of the times in Europe. Decay of religious faith and growth of superstition commonly go together.

A CHANCE FOR PARTY UNION.

The local political situation has assumed such a shape as to afford a splendid opportunity for the restoration of the Republican party unity which The Gazette has persistently urged. It ought not to have been necessary for Republicans to seek the aid of another party organization to accomplish the reforms demanded by party opinion. The state organization of the party deferred to reform sentiment by nominating Judge Pennypacker and so won a glorious victory. The local organization paid no heed to reform sentiment, scouted the advice of The Gazette to broaden its organization and make it representative of the party, and it has sustained crushing defeat.

The Citizens movement necessitated by the stubbornness and infatuation of local faction chiefs has accomplished a great deal. It has given the city an exacting, vigilant controller, whose very presence in that office is an effectual check on mismanagement and corruption. It has placed in important county offices representatives of what is best and highest in Republicanism. And to crown all it has aroused public feeling to the necessity of placing politics on a higher plane, so that it has set up civic standards which even its own management cannot violate with impunity. The forfeiture of respect which recent proceedings have occasioned is already shown by an exodus of active and prominent leaders in the reform movement from the ranks of the Citizens party. As Mr. Charles S. Crawford, the reform president of the common council, pithily expresses it, "It appears that the Citizens organization is on one side and the citizens are on the other."

On November 23, discussing the municipal situation, The Gazette said:

> **The only solid foundation for administration is party control, and from the history and traditions of Pittsburgh that party control can only be Republican control. Hence, we favor the union of Republican factions in one party organization and the selection as the party candidate for recorder of a man not identified with any faction, chosen solely on the score of high business capacity, possessing the tact and initiative required for the success of large negotiations, exercising the duties of his office in the spirit of a trustee, and anxious above all things to accomplish solid business results for the benefit of the people of Pittsburgh.**

We reiterate this suggestion now, with the added suggestion that the way is open for the old organization to restore party unity with credit and honor to itself. To do this it should acquire a representative character by admitting to its membership and councils the men who have been so earnestly working for municipal reform and who are now willing to give the same effort to Republican party success if that is identified with municipal reform. As proof of this it should adopt a platform specifically pledging the party to the reforms the people desire, and it should nominate a man whose personal character is a guarantee that election pledges will be fulfilled and that the public business will be managed with ability and integrity.

ARBITRATION LIKELY.

Just when it seemed moderately certain that President Roosevelt might undertake the arbitration of the Venezuelan matter there has been a change to The Hague tribunal. President Castro has announced his willingness to submit his case to that august body, and England, Germany and Italy have intimated acceptance of the proposal with certain reservations. The reservations have not been officially specified, but rumor has it that Germany will insist upon having a bunch of money in hand preliminary to any arbitration. It is more likely the reservations are of another nature.

In as far as the United States is concerned it makes the reservation that the Monroe doctrine is not to be meddled with, and it is understood the European powers involved have agreed to that principle. With that understanding the sooner the case is made up and submitted the better it will be for all parties in interest. The maintenance of a blockade is fraught with danger of international complications not intended by the blockaders. The incident of the American steamer Caracas and the Italian cruiser is a sufficient indication of what might happen to turn affairs seriously, and the capture of a German trader by a German gunboat is illustrative of the minor vexations of a blockade. The needless severity of the Germans in sinking Venezuelan hulks and of the British in bombarding Porto Cabello aroused both England and Germany to an appreciation of the fact that unpleasant consequences might grow out of the affair, and if the lesson has been as plain to the governments of those countries as to their people it ought to help materially in convincing them that arbitration without too many hard conditions is the safest course.

It may be assumed that Venezuela has been impressed with the necessity of paying its debts and that it may wish to avoid a recurrence of the existing situation. It may also be taken for granted the example has not been lost upon the other more or less irresponsible South American governments. As that has been the main object of the allies, and as it is impossible to obtain cash payment from a government with an empty treasury, as it would be extremely perilous to attempt to take territory, it appears reasonable that arbitration by The Hague court should be accepted as the logical conclusion of the incident.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

This is the season when books are being balanced on the closing year and preparations are being made for annual settlements. In a few days the official figures will be published containing the record for 1902. In many respects the latter was a record-breaker. First and foremost, it produced in the aggregate the largest crops ever harvested, having a market value several hundred millions in excess of the best previous total. It is the produce of the earth that contributes to the prosperity of the people, and while the various nations are now so closely knit together that one cannot be depressed without affecting all, that nation which produces a surplus of farm products has an advantage. This is the position of the United States, and it is the prospect that a good market at good prices will absorb our surplus grain and cotton that is the basis for the feeling that prosperous general conditions will continue over the new year. In the second place, the iron and steel industry is in a healthy condition, and the trade is still regarded as a good barometer of business. So far as Pittsburgh is concerned it is paramount, and just now it is supplemented by the coal trade, which is unprecedentedly active. In the third place, the railroad interests continue to enjoy prosperity. The earnings for the year were the largest ever reported, and with one exception the increase was the largest. The agricultural, industrial and transportation interests constitute a good foundation upon which to build hopes. The only thing that might interfere with a realization of the brightest hopes is foreign complications, a threat of which was contained in the Venezuelan matter, but which promises to disappear through the medium of peaceful diplomacy.

It is estimated that January interest and dividend disbursements will reach $132,000,000 in the United States, the largest sum ever paid by corporations to their stock and bondholders. In prepartaion for these payments there has been much shifting of loans in the banks, and as the credit of these institutions had already been strained by carrying the load of new securities thrown upon the market during the past two years, there was some disturbance in call loan rates and some additional liquidation in the stock market. This condition of affairs, however, is usual to the season, and there was less agitation in the markets than was feared a month or so ago.

The holiday trade this year was enormous. Money that had been hoarded for weeks has been released and will now find its way back to the regular channels of commerce. This is the usual course. There have been fears that the current would be obstructed, and that the continued activity in manufacturing and mercantile trade in the interior would absorb the funds, preventing their return to eastern monetary centers. Like fears have been entertained on previous occasions and have proved groundless. Monetary conditions may not favor speculative activity in the stock market, but they do not contain any grounds for apprehension regarding legitimate trade.

THE REAL PROBLEM.

Mr. Joseph Chamberlain in South Africa is carrying the banner of peace and reconciliation—and probably a part of the cargo of wine with which he left England. Up to the present time he has not invaded the former Boer states, but has confined his eloquence to Cape Colony and Natal, where it is probably more needed. Yesterday he spoke at Durban. He praised Briton and Boer alike and strongly urged that it would ill become the victor to do aught but welcome the vanquished into the empire on terms of equality. He was heartily cheered. Of course he added that in extending the hand of fellowship to the Boer the Briton would expect it to be received in the same spirit, in which remark the colonial secretary was again wisely diplomatic.

The difficult phase of the situation in South Africa is not to reconcile Boer and Briton as represented by the fighting men who earned each other's mutual respect in the field. It is to prevent friction between the colonials of Natal and Cape Colony and their new fellow subjects. Mr. Chamberlain apparently appreciates this fact. Mindful of the bitter demands of the loyal colonists for the punishment of the Boers and their sympathizers, he is employing his eloquence among them to bring them to see the wisdom of conciliation as opposed to punishment. Along that line Mr. Chamberlain may accomplish much good. To that end he may employ both his eloquence and his wine with good effect.

It appears by a dispatch from Hartford that Jack Frost did his first peach bud killing of the season in Connecticut. It is very seldom that he indulges in this species of pernicious activity until the new year comes in.

The first message over the new Hawaiian cable will be one from Gov. Dole to President Roosevelt. After that it will be a much shorter time between messages from Honolulu to Washington than heretofore.

During the year just closing 164,547 railroad cars were built, 25,542 more than were built last year, and yet the railroads needed still more in their business.

If those royal European elopers think they can escape public curiosity by emigrating to America they still have something to learn about this country.

Santa Claus is entitled to a long vacation. It was the biggest Christmas in his whole experience.

Up to the time of going to press Afghanistan has preferred no claim against Venezuela.

In Kentucky the Goebel cases will go over into the new year as unfinished business.

The weather man intimates that he has another cold wave up his sleeve.

Venezuela appears to be willing for the claimants to pool their issues.

The Hague arbitration tribunal may as well prepare to get busy.

Belated Christmas gifts can figure as New Year's presents.

Icy pavements add to the number of holiday slippers.

Peace in Porto Rico.

From the Chicago Record-Herald.

A trolley line has been opened in Porto Rico. This thoroughly disposes of any danger there may have been of Porto Rican revolutions. The people will be too busy dodging the cars hereafter to engage in political disturbances.

Helping Grover Along.

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Col. Watterson is out in another long attack on Cleveland. We must call the Kentuckian's attention to the fact that he is doing more to make the sage of Princeton a candidate than all other forces combined. Grover lives on the sort of thing that Watterson produces.

GRAFTERS BROWSE IN FERTILE FIELD

Plenty of "Come-Ons" to Provide Revenue for Venders of Electrical Frauds.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Herald Building, Herald Square.
NEW YORK, Dec. 26.

The American people, according to the late Phineas T. Barnum, like to be humbugged. Many persons can be made to believe that an electric generating machine always resembles two large spools of green silk set up on end. If they learn differently they are amused at their former belief and proud of their get-ativeness. Electricity is such a mysterious thing, with something of the black art about it, that nothing seems to be too marvelous to be accomplished by it, and many imposters have reaped, and for that matter are still reaping, a rich harvest by making use of the ignorance and almost childish confidence which the investing public has in old and new and startling discoveries in electricity. The electro-medical appliances which usually can be "writ down" as frauds, with the exception, possibly, of the X-ray, are too many to detil. They are no worse than quack medicines, except that they cost more. Inasmuch as they are not taken internally, excepting, again, the subtle beam through the human frame of the powerful induction machine, they can do little harm, and may do good. The modest dealer will ask you $50 for a medical cell which, it is declared, will deliver an electric current by being placed on cracked ice; little neck clams on congealed water would give better results. The wonderful thing about a medical battery I saw "worked" the other day is that it required but one wire to convey the current, there being no return wire or ground connection. The cell, with its adjunct of frappe, is to be placed on the carpet and the victim on a hair mattress—no better insulation can be desired. Oh, it is a great graft. Electric combs, electric corsets, electric rings, pins, brushes and what not are found in the holiday advertisements. It would be unfair to suppose their dispensers were, in all cases, trying to "do" the people into believing their wares contained or were capable of generating an Edison or a Westinghouse current. The word "electric," used in such connection, must be considered as an adjective expressive of delight accruing to the purchaser. It is as tangible as a lover's kiss over the telephone.

Pranks of Electricity.

The following letter was printed recently on the editorial page of the Mail and Express: "The much-flaunted third-rail electric system on the 'L' was yesterday put out of business by a little bit of snow. This will occur with every small flurry. A big snowstorm always delays the surface electrics; it will paralyze the 'L.' The next piece of real 'shocking' news to look for from these elevated structures is a singeing or burning of a trainload of passengers. Burning of people would frequently occur in the surface cars were egress cut off to the ground and safety. Electric traction systems are rank failures, both physically and financially, as you newspaper men, soon or late, will discover." Since the above communication was printed this newspaper writer notes the following accidents not narrated in my previous letters: Trolley feed wires crossed in Willis avenue; reserves called out to protect thousands from mimic lightning; one burned, two shocked. Myrtle avenue in Brooklyn the scene of a terrifying pyrotechnical display when the trolley wires under the "L" railway became overcharged with electricity, and burst forth in flame and greenish sparks. For blocks this devil-fire ran along the elevated roadway, frightening the passengers who were afraid to escape from the cars and risk their lives on the metal structure of the "L," which was wrapped in real Greek fire. Seated in a Tenth avenue car last night, Annie Stapleton received an electric shock from a crossed wire in the electric heater. The woman was rendered speechless. The hospital records contain no record of a similar case.

No Increase in Dividends.

Regarding the financial end of the letter from the Mail and Express, I am not so certain. But an electrician, with several decades of experience, is thus quoted: "There has been thus far no demonstration of the superior net earning capacity of the electric as compared with the horse or cable system, but rather the reverse. The idea which seems to have obtained that the electric railway system is a bonanza of rare and inexhaustible wealth is clearly a delusion, and has doubtless proved to some a snare." And then this gentleman quoted a few of the recent failures: The electric roads at Washington; between Newark and Hackensack; the electric syndicate at Cleveland; Staten Island electrics. These failure (not all of them, by a jugful), with a deficit this year of $800,000 in the Brooklyn Rapi Transit, make a grand total loss in one year of $23 100,000.

Firemen Wary of Third Rail.

While the "L" officials yesterday were struggling with the usual electric tie-up caused by the snow a new, but often predicted, complication confronted them in the shape of a collision between two Sixth avenue trains at Rector street and Trinity place. Two cars caught fire immediately from the fierce current carried on the third rail and furnished an electric display which lasted 20 minutes. The fire laddies experienced great difficulty in getting their hose and apparatus upon the structure. These brave men quail at the hidden death lurking in the third rail. Fortunately no passengers were in the damaged cars.

Liquidation in Wall Street.

Liquidating sales beyond the wealth of all syndicates has caused a shrinkage of Wall street values during the past 90 days. Three chief factors in the week's big slump were the fears of additional complications in South America, uneasiness over the monetary outlook and practically official reports that the United States treasury department would refuse further relief to Wall street. From a recent "shot" at the stock exchange I glean this: In my opinion, the only lucky people in the Wall street game are the brokers and the crooks who cannot get below John street—the dead line established years ago by old Honest Tom Byrnes. Instead of keeping this peaceful blockade against crooks they should establish a dead line to keep suckers out of Wall street. Then the workers on the stock exchange would have to skin each other, and the wild shrieks of agony would attract attention as far away as Sing Sing.

Will Use Peat for Fuel.

These are great days for fuels other than coal. Gas, petroleum and wood are the common substitutes. But there are others. In Massachusetts the rustics are preparing to rely wholly on peat deposits on their farms for fuel in future. Crude oil is being used in some places in Jersey for steam, and there is over there a growing use of the ordinary petroleum for cooking stoves. Soft coal of all grades has come into use in Manhattan for steam raising and heating, and that means a great saving for city residences and apartment houses. Bituminous coal is to be had from American mines everywhere, and from Nova Scotia it is being shipped here in huge quantities. "When do I look for cheaper coal? When the dog star rages," said the coal man.

Among the Books.

Swinging around Union square today I "copped out" these scraps of conversation from the cosy corners of various book stores: "John Kendrick Bangs will be the new editor of the Metropolitan Magazine, which has just been purchased by Col. George Harvey, editor of the North American Review and president of Harper & Bro. The last article written by the late Thomas B. Reed was "What Shall We Do With the Tariff?" It appeared in the December number of the North American Review. "Only an honest book can live," writes John Burroughs in his latest book, "Literary Values and Other Papers." Some time during the coming month, E. P. Dutton & Co. will publish a new edition of "An Autobiography by Leigh Hunt." It was this book that Carlyle called the best thing in biography.

Impressions Gained in Factories.

The experiences of two women, Marie and Bessie Van Vorst, will be embodied in a volume, "The Woman Who Toils," which Doubleday & Page will publish next April. The Misses Van Vorst are well known in the literary field and their study of conditions in the hum-drum of the work-a-day world is borne out by actual experience. The book takes the reader to a mill town of New York, among the clothing makers of Chicago, the shoemakers of Lynn, the hands of the southern cotton mills and to a Pittsburgh pickle factory, the one with the 57 varieties, whose name is embodied in the topical recitative by San Bernard in the "Silver Slipper" at the Broadway theater.

Stores Have Something Left.

The aftermath from the holiday shop windows as I today observed goes like this: Another dressing gown of heliotrope elderdown has a wide border of Dresden satin ribbon trimming it. Broad lengths of the satin fasten it at the neck, and the lining is also of the pretty flowered satin. Complete bridge whist sets, in dark leather cases are $4 each. Ribbon runners for lingerie, in pretty, fancy cases, are very new. These are made of silver or gold and are in three sizes. Delicately tinted silk hosiery have seed pearls studded in the centers of fine lace medallions. Persian cashmere wrist bags have become very popular. They have gilt fastenings and are lined with light shades of kid or pretty silks. Tea and coffee strainers made of oxidized silver stand in small round underdishes. The design matches the strainer, and they fit into them perfectly, so all danger of spotting the dainty cloth is avoided.

Clara Bloodgood's Hit.

Mrs. Clara Bloodgood in the Clyde Fitch play of "The Girl With the Green Eyes," or, as rechristened by an old Pittsburgh theatrical manager, "The Girl With the Irish Flashers" has made a pronounced hit. Mrs. Bloodgood wears several exquisite gowns. A wonderful creation is a delicately flowered chiffon worn in the first act. The design through it consists of faintly tinted orchids and leaves. Garlands of the same flowers are used lavishly as trimming. This delicate affair is arranged over plain white chiffon and underneath both is another lining of ivory white liberty satin. A coat and skirt of dove gray crepe de chine: a traveling gown of a medium shade of brown velvet, and a tea gown of white lace insertions over shell pink—these will be raved over by the matinee girl.

GEORGE C. JENKS.

Pittsburghers in New York.

The following Pittsburghers are registered at the New York hotels today:

VENDOME.
J. M. Martin. Mrs. J. M. Martin.

HERALD SQUARE.
W. H. Sall. W. Ferris.
C. A. McCleary. W. Hertil.
F. E. Evans. C. S. Johnson.
W. C. Evans. S. T. Oswald.
H. Schuster.

HOLLAND.
Mrs. T. W. Nevin. T. W. Nevin.

STURTEVANT.
Miss T. Kennedy. Mrs. S. E. Kennedy.
B. J. Martin.

EARLINGTON.
Miss J. Kennedy.

VICTORIA.
J. F. McCandless.

HOFFMAN.
G. G. Pennock.

FIFTH AVENUE.
E. M. Grover. F. W. Chester.
Mrs. E. M. Grover.

EVERETT.
C. Rott. F. S. Stedman.

MORTON.
W. G. McLain.

ST. DENIS.
A. E. Hendy.

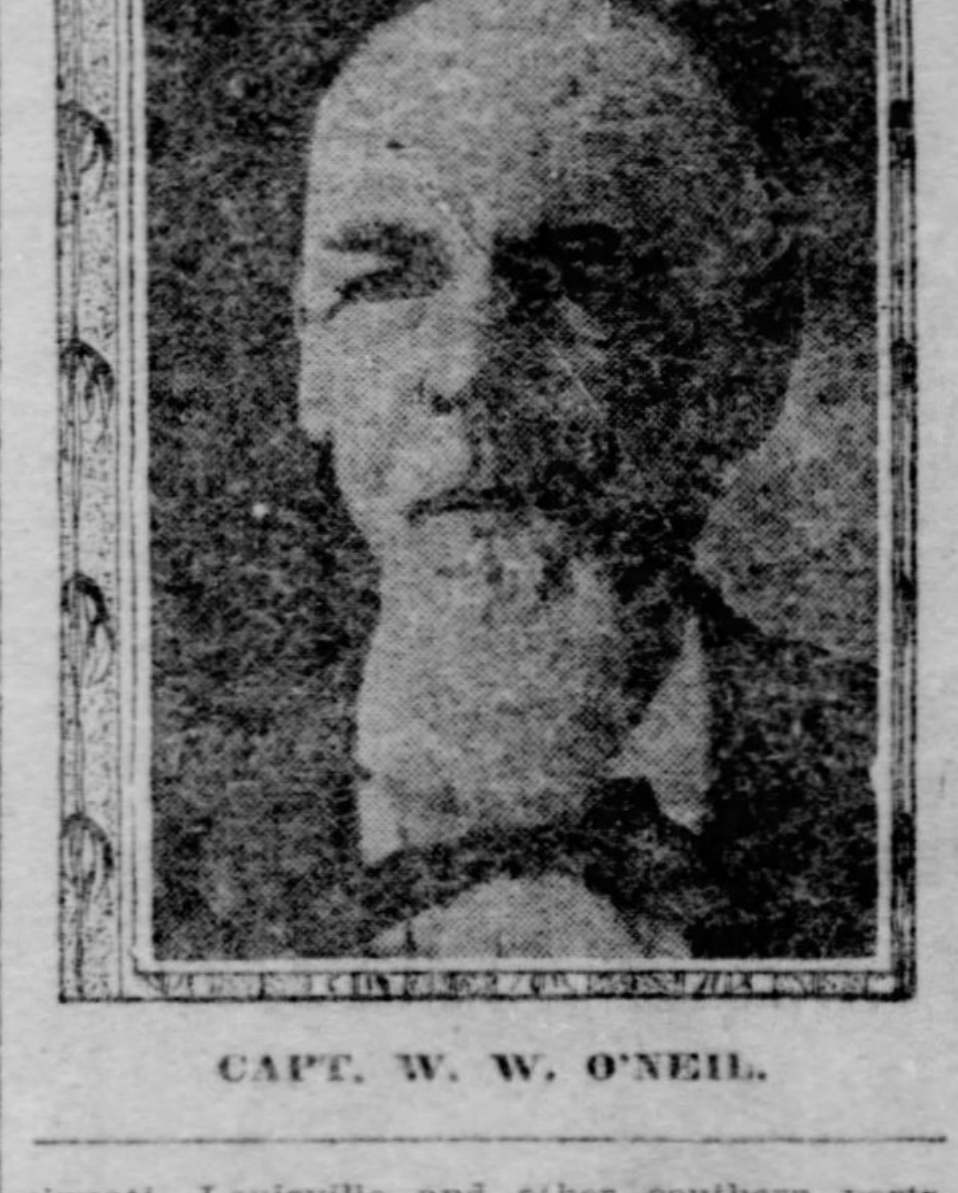
BROADWAY CENTRAL.
H. Stengel. A. Baid.
E. Stengel.

THE DEATH ROLL.

Capt. William W. O'Neil.

Capt. William W. O'Neil, president of the Pittsburgh coal exchange and a veteran riverman, died at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning of paralysis at his home in Elizabeth. Capt. O'Neil was 72 years of age, and for more than 40 years had been prominently identified with the industrial interests of Pittsburgh. He was engaged in active business until two weeks ago, when he was prostrated by a stroke of paralysis. Until that time he had enjoyed good health and had attended his office in the coal exchange building with his characteristic lifelong punctuality.

Capt. O'Neil was a son of Bennie O'Neil, Sr., was born in Mifflin township, near Six-Mile Ferry, in August, 1830. He has resided in Allegheny county all his life. He began his busy career as a coal miner, and subsequently engaged in floating coal boats to Cincinnati, Louisville and other southern ports. This familiarized him with the river and he was licensed as a pilot. He followed the business for years with great success, and about 1861 embarked in the business on a larger scale. He associated himself with his brother, J. N. O'Neil, and the firm was afterwards reorganized under the title of the O'Neil Company. He built the towboats Little Fred, Belle McGowan, Enterprise, W. W. O'Neil, Little Dick, Fred Wilson and Dick Fulton. These boats are now famous on the three rivers, and doubtless will be monuments to the memory of the aged riverman for years after he has passed away.



CAPT. W. W. O'NEIL.

Capt. O'Neil retired from the coal business about three years ago, selling out his interests to the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke Company. He was president of the Marine National bank of this city, and of the First National bank of Elizabeth. He was a leader of all enterprises in his home town and was a member of the borough council. The Monongahela river bridge between Elizabeth and West Elizabeth was erected as a result of his work in behalf of the promotion of municipal improvements.

Capt. O'Neil was twice married. His first wife was Miss Elizabeth Cunningham of Dravosburg, who died 39 years ago. Their surviving children are J. D. O'Neil of Clarion, Mrs. N. P. Williams of Evanston, Ill.; Mrs. W. M. Ekin of Allegheny; W. W. O'Neil, Jr., of Allegheny, and John N. O'Neil of Youngstown. His second wife, formerly Miss Mary Means of Elizabeth, is still living. Their children are Mrs. Grace Goodwin, Mrs. Bennie Harrington, Mrs. William Dempster and Miss Emma O'Neil. A. B. O'Neil of McKeesport is a brother of the deceased, and Recorder-elect J. Bennie O'Neil is a nephew.

Capt. O'Neil was a member of no church, but supported the Methodist Episcopal denomination. The directors of the Pittsburgh coal exchange will hold a meeting today to pass resolutions memorializing Capt. O'Neil's life and services.

Capt. David Forse.

Capt. David Forse, commander of the ram Switzerland, Admiral Porter's flagship at the siege of Vicksburg, Civil war, died early yesterday morning at the home of his son-in-law, George Hammond, No. 312 Oneida street, Duquesne Heights, aged 82 years. Capt. Forse was one of the best known rivermen between Pittsburgh and New Orleans, and was the oldest river engineer on the upper Ohio. He had been retired about 10 years. He was engineer on the steamer which conveyed the remains of President William Henry Harrison from Cincinnati to North Bend, Ind. While captain of the Switzerland he ran the blockade at Vicksburg although the ram was so fiercely bombarded, that it was almost shot to pieces before the crew was rescued by Admiral Porter's fleet. Capt. Forse was born in Center county, Pa., and came to Pittsburgh when 9 years old, having resided here ever since. He is survived by four sons, John, William, Thomas and Samuel Forse, and two daughters, Mrs. Hammond and Mrs. James Shaw. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at Mr. Hammond's home at 2 o'clock.

Dr. William Wilson Barr.

The Rev. Dr. William Wilson Barr, 70 years old, a former moderator of the United Presbyterian general assembly, died Thursday at his home, No. 1425 Christian street, Philadelphia. He was born in Washington county, Pa., and graduated from Jefferson college in 1855. He studied theology at Xenia, O., and was ordained to the ministry by the Chartiers presbytery in 1859. He was pastor of the Eighth United Presbyterian church in this city for 35 years. In 1895 he resigned to become corresponding secretary of the United Presbyterian board of foreign missions. He was editor of the Evangelical Repository from 1860 to 1879, and co-editor of the Christian Instructor for 20 years, holding the latter position at the time of his death.

Mrs. Sarah Addy.

Mrs. Sarah Addy, 90 years old, died yesterday afternoon of old age at the home of her son, John M. Addy, Heberton Heights, Stewart street. Mrs. Ally was a native of Scalybridge, England, and came to the United States in 1844. She was the widow of George Addy, a cotton spinner employed in the old Anchor and Eagle cotton mills. She is survived by six children, John M., George, Charles, Edmond, Mrs. Joseph A. Tyson, all of this city, and Mrs. Julia F. Kurtz of Beaver Falls. She was a member of Calvary Protestant Episcopal church.

Lawrence Kern.

Lawrence Kern, a well known German resident of Bloomfield, died yesterday at his home, No. 246 Matilda street. Mr. Kern came to this country when he was quite a young man and was married to Miss Genafern Schmitt. He is survived by his widow and children. He was a devout Roman Catholic, a member of Branch 45, C. M. B. A.; Branch 6, Knights of St. George, and of Company B, Uniformed Knights of St. George. The funeral will be at St. Joseph's church at 10 a. m. Monday, with requiem high mass.

John Dunn.

John Dunn, a Democratic politician and real estate assessor of Philadelphia, died suddenly yesterday of apoplexy. He was 42 years old. Early in life Mr. Dunn took an active part in Democratic politics. During the past few years he had been an adherent of the Gordon element of the party, and was a candidate against Thomas J. Ryan for city commissioner. He was a member of the Democratic city executive committee.

Mrs. George S. Orth.

Mrs. Mary L. Orth, aged 35 years, died at Mercy hospital yesterday morning. She was the wife of Dr. George S. Orth, a prominent physician of Bridgeville. She had been taken to the hospital to be operated upon two weeks ago. She is survived by her husband and several brothers and sisters.

Obituary Notes.

James J. Lonergan, president of the City Foundry Company of Cleveland, O., died last night.

John Fullerton, aged 72, who until recently resided at Harmarville, Allegheny county, died at New Castle, Pa., yesterday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Edwards, wife of John Edwards of New Castle, Pa., foreman of the Shenango Valley steel plant, died yesterday at her home.

Samuel Edward Hopwood, aged 48, died yesterday at New Castle, Pa. He was a member of the Grace Methodist church and a well-known citizen.

Homer Henry Redpath, a former well-known Pittsburgh sport, was buried in Allegheny cemetery yesterday. His death occurred in New York Tuesday. He was 73 years old.

John J. Hutcheson, one of the best-known business men of Mercer county, Pennsylvania, died at Greenviele Thursday night after an illness of over a year of paralysis. He was born in 1833.

Mrs. Rosalia de Bedts, 75 years old, is dead at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. M. Taggart, No. 1524 Penn avenue. She had been a member of St. Philomena's Roman Catholic church 45 years.

Mrs. Mary A. Trushel, wife of John C. Trushel, died very suddenly yesterday at New Castle, Pa. Mrs. Trushel was 42 years of age and is survived by her husband and one son, John A. Trushel.

Judge Samuel J. Clarke of Geneva, N. Y., who led an overland expedition to Colorado in 1840 and was said to be the last surviving member of the first legislature of that state, died here yesterday at the age of 78.

Mrs. Margaret Gorman, mother of Sister Mary De Chantel of the Sisters of Mercy of Omaha, Neb., and the aunt of Sister Mary Ernestine of the Sisters of Mercy, Pittsburgh, is dead at her home, No. 2502 Smallman street.

Ex-County Commissioner P. A. Myers died at Whiteley, Greene county, Pa., yesterday. He was born near his recent home in 1836, and for many years was an extensive farmer and stock dealer. He served for 25 years as justice of the peace and for three years as county commissioner of Greene county.

The Farmers' Trust.

From the New York Commercial Advertiser.

Some light is thrown on the present status of the anti-trust sentiment in the west, about which so much is said in justification of the agitation of the subject in Washington, by the dispatch from Indianapolis today announcing the formation of a combination of farmers. The plan has often been aired before, but hitherto nothing has come of the talk. It is significant that it should take shape when congress is discussing ways and means to curb the trusts, impelled thereto by the demands of the agricultural west. It is impossible to say at the moment how far-reaching the association is, but it is evident from the articles of incorporation that its purposes are sufficiently comprehensive to extort admiration from the most inveterate trust promoter. Besides providing for general co-operation throughout this and other countries, it is distinctly set forth that the farmers intend by united action to obtain profitable prices for their products and to secure legislation in the interest of their business. This is going a little further than most of the great industrial corporations would dare to go, but the farmers undoubtedly know their power as well as their business.

Neighbors Visiting Pittsburgh.

Among those at the leading hotels last night were the following persons from nearby towns:

Victoria—M. Shloss, Butler; M. G. Raub, Bradford; A. M. Reiber, Butler.

Lincoln—H. L. Gibson, Fairmont, W. Va.; John Mickleon, Connellsville.

Anderson—G. H. Schmidt, Oil City; A. R. Glenn, St. Marys.

Seventh Avenue—A. E. Bairnett, Beaver; J. W. Pollard, New Castle; F. L. Mallery, Oil City.

Newell's—T. W. Fleming, C. Powell, H. F. Gilmore, Fairmont; O. L. Badger, Wheeling; E. T. Daughtery, Conneautville; G. B. Carr, Titusville; G. B. Lane, Oil City; J. C. McMahon, Sistersville.

Griswold—J. H. Gibb, Wheeling; Charles Ball, Mt. Pleasant; H. A. Arnold, Altoona.

Duquesne—G. B. Conrath, Erie; H. Moore, New Castle; M. M. Graham, Grove City.

Monongahela—B. S. Hammill, Charleroi; J. W. Alles, Donora; R. B. Alford, Blairsville; P. E. Brady, Steubenville; W. A. Stone, Uniontown; Ira V. McKenzie, Sand Patch.

Henry—E. L. Graham, Fairmont; R. M. Watson, Wheeling; J. H. Watson, Morgantown.

Calendar Supply Exhausted.

When The Gazette announced that it would distribute the coon calendar with the Christmas Gazette it provided an extra supply for an emergency. But even these extra thousands were exhausted soon after The Gazette appeared on the streets. The artistic color work on the first page of the Christmas Gazette resulted in the sale of every copy printed, although the presses worked overtime to supply the demand. Many requests for the coon calendar came yesterday by mail, but as the supply is exhausted, The Gazette is compelled to state that the requests cannot be complied with.

MARINES SCORED MANY BULL'S-EYES

The Wonderful Marksmanship That Was Explained When the Captain Fired a Gun.

The Manila Cable News, a daily newspaper published at Manila, furnishes the following incident of military life in the Philippines:

Paradoxical it may seem, yet it is a fact nevertheless, that 12 marines of Cavite are now languishing in durance vile for running up phenomenal scores at rifle practice at the Canacao range on Wednesday. The above statement, however, has a modifying clause.

Company B, Second regiment, United States marine corps, went out to the range on Wednesday for its semi-annual practice, and from the opening shot up to the sudden denouement that ended the affair all previous records went by the board. Men who were not credited with the ability to hit a barn door at 30 paces were making bull's-eyes with startling precision.

The officer who was in charge was pleased at the showing of the men, which feeling eventually gave way to suspicion and finally to incredulity, and, picking up a piece, he discharged it in the air, without giving any warning to the scorers as to whom the shooter was. Promptly from behind the butt appeared the red flag—meaning that he had made the second best shot possible. Once more he fired into the air, and this time a white flag—a bull's eye—went up. Certain now of the cause of the admirable shooting, at which he had but a moment before been so elated, he fell his men in and marched them back to Cavite, where the culprits were confined.

BALLOONS IN WARFARE.

"I saw one of the funniest encounters the other day in a little town down in Alabama that ever a man witnessed," said J. B. Hodgson of New Orleans to a Washington Post reporter.

"It was between a belligerent darkey and a traveling vender of toy balloons. The negro was impudent, and on being rebuked by the balloon man, replied in such insulting terms that the other struck at him, but his blow was dodged, and the black landed a lick on the peddler's head. This enraged the latter, and he went at the African as though he would murder him. He was heavily handicaped, however, by his stock, and being afraid to let go of his merchandise, he was unable to wage efficient battle.

"This the negro realized, and it gave him such assurance of victory that he rushed his man all the time. But the balloons also acted as a shield from the wicked jabs of the Senegambian. Instead of his blows landing on the enemy, nine out of 10 struck a balloon, and there was a continuous pop, pop, pop as one after another of the inflated bags was demolished.

"The explosions tickled a large crowd, who would have been willing to see the performance kept up indefinitely, but when about 90 per cent of all the balloons had been wrecked the town marshal came along and led both combatants off to the local bastile."

HOLDING UP A PARSON.

A Lenawee minister on his way from an appointment in a neighboring town was suddenly held up by a man who rshed from the roadside and requested him to halt, says the Detroit Tribune. The clergyman halted. "Have you got a gun?" came from the darkest side of the carriage. This assured the good man that whatever the intention of the other, he proposed at least to play fair and give him a chance for his life. The evening contributions usually not being large, the preacher had neglected to take along any carnal weapon. The best he could do was to brandish his Bible as he answered that unfortunately he had no death-dealer with him. "I am sorry," replied the other, "for my dog has just treed a coon over yonder and I was lookin' for somebody with a gun to shoot the critter." The minister breathed easier.

PERSONALS

"When I left Ogden," remarked William S. Brown at the Hotel Henry last night, "all the indications were favorable to the election of Reed Smoot to the United States senate. The Mormon church has determined to have a representative in the United States senate, and its powerful influence is now being used to give Smoot the appointment. All over the state of Utah the Gentile ministers are protesting against the election of Smoot, but their influence will have very little weight. Smoot is one of the 12 apostles of the Mormon church and has a following in the political party of the state that can hardly be overcome."

Associates of Superintendent J. B. Becker and Assistant Superintendent S. S. Eagle in the Allegheny works of the Pressed Steel Car Company, surprised their chiefs on Christmas day with costly presents in token of their esteem in which they are held. Mr. Becker was given a valuable gold watch and Mr. Eagle a handsome silver tea service by the foremen and their assistants of the works.

F. M. Campbell, who has been representing the sales department of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company in Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio, has been put in charge of a new district sales office to be established in the Arcade, Philadelphia, January 1. The territory of the office will include Baltimore, Washington, Norfolk and Richmond.

John B. Reynolds, the well-known newspaper man of this city, spent Christmas with his friends in the East End. He is the advance agent for Miss Blanche Walsh and went to Detroit last night. Mr. Reynolds has sold his interest in the "On the Quiet" company.

In local military circles yesterday there was much elated over a tip that came out of the east that Col. Samuel Moody, assistant general passenger agent of the Pennsylvania lines west, would be appointed quartermaster general of the national guard.

IT IS TO SMILE.

"You ought to mobilize your army," said the foreign adviser to the emperor of China.

"Automobilize it?" replied the emperor, who dearly loves a merry jest. "Great Scott! man, I can't even afford to buy horses for it."—Judge.

Capt. Hull was recounting the glorious victory of the Constitution.

"And so," he concluded, "we were plainly one too many for the Guerriere."

"Yes," interrupted his officer; "we were a Hull lot."

Throwing bouquets at each other, they then retired to fight the secretary of the navy.—New York Times.

"Dearest! what are you doing?" remonstrated her royal highness, as the king carelessly dropped a lighted lamp upon the chamberlain's head.

"Just casting a little light upon my subject," replied H. R. H., not without humor.—Yale Record.

David—You don't mean to say she rejected your proposal?

Jonathan—Hardly that; she was sort of non-committal, so to speak. She said when she felt like making a fool of herself she'd let me know.—Boston Transcript.

Catherine of Russia was considering how she would go down to posterity.

"Do you think I will be called 'The Great?'" she inquired.

"Of course," replied the unwary courtier, "you've made it hot for so many people."

Noting, however, an ominous gleam in the empress' eye, he hastened to take his furs out of camphor, as Siberia was somewhat chilly.—New York Tribune.

SOCIETY

A HUNT ball at the Pittsburgh club was the novel scheme most successfully carried out last night by seven of the Shadyside girls who came out two winters ago. It was a subscription ball, following the plan inaugurated last winter by several Allegheny girls who at midwinter gave a Japanese ball at the Pittsburgh club. The ball last night was a brilliant one. The colors employed throughout the decorations and continued in the favors for the four cotillion figures danced were red and green, red also appearing to a noticeable degree in some of the handsome gowns worn.

The young girls who were so successful in planning and directing the ball formed the receiving party and included Miss Laura McGinley, Miss Ada McCrea, Miss Margaretta Wood, Miss Virginia Johnston, Miss Martha Ferguson, Miss Ruth Miller and Miss Jeannette Hawkins. They stood near the stage, which was banked with palms reaching to the arch above, a low row of poinsetta adding brightness of color, while perpendicular lines of red electric lights heightened the gay effect. The decorations throughout the ballroom were even more elaborate than on any previous occasion this season. All was in red and green. The network of southern smilax just below the ceiling and reaching from wall to wall was threaded with red ribbons, from which were suspended numberless Christmas bells some hung in clusters, while occasionally they appeared alone. The ribbons were of varying lengths, some catching crimson horns of plenty, and increased the pleasing effect. Upon the deep crimson-colored walls of the ballroom were garlands of smilax and holly tied with red ribbons, the side lights were shaded in red, the windows were banked with holly and poinsetta and the white columns at the side were hidden with a deep crimson covering, entwined with southern smilax and encircled from base to cap with a string of red electric lights. Red ribbons were looped from column to column, while crimson baskets filled with green swung to and fro.

The lights throughout the ball room were shaded in red save in the center of the ceiling and the row of footlights upon the stage. During the cotillion these white lights were not in use, and the result was a flood of red light, changing the entire appearance of the ball room, its decorations, and at times producing a wierd effect upon the dancers. The decorations were not confined to the ball room alone. The foyer was lined with tall palms and its lights were shaded in red. Laurel and smilax lined both sides of the staircase, rising from the street to the foyer. In the supper room, where supper was served at small tables, the decorations were also carried out in red and green. One table, larger than the rest, was arranged for the young girls in the receiving party and an equal number of the young men, these including Judson Brooks, Archibald McCrea, Bissell Speer, Clinton Childs, Sterling W. Childs, Arthur Bell and George Dana Graves, the last being the fiance of Miss Ruth Miller, who is spending the holidays at the Reuben Miller home in Shadyside.

Four favor figures were danced during the evening. Starling W. Childs leading the first two alone, Clinton L. Childs the third with Miss Virginia Johnston, and Arthur Bell the fourth with Miss Martha Ferguson. The favors, which were unlike any others presented for several seasons, were distributed by the patronesses, Mrs. John R. McGinley, Mrs. Reuben Miller, Mrs. James McCrea, Mrs. Joseph Wood, Mrs. Edmund M. Ferguson, Mrs. Harvey Childs, Jr., and Mrs. William G. Hawkins. For the first figure they consisted of coach horns tied with red ribbons for the girls and red jockey caps for the men. In the second figure the girls received hobby horses, and the men bits, stirrups and other horsey paraphernalia. In the third figure wands tied with gold and red ribbons and mounted upon them gay pictures of fair horsewomen taking a fence were given the girls, the men receiving gaily-colored sporting pictures. In the last figure there were pretty dogwhips tied with red ribbons for the girls and crops for the men.

At the Princeton Hockey Game.

Pittsburgh sympathies were with the Princeton hockey team last evening, though they failed to score and were outskated at almost every point by the Keystone team. The brilliant play of Rafferty at times and of some of the other members of the college team never failed to excite enthusiasm. The boxes were filled from one end of Duquesne garden to the other. Clarence Hildebrand, who is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Goehring, had a party of Princeton men in a box with him. Among them were W. C. Booth, who used to be center rush on the Princeton football team; Rafferty, also of the ball team; Cookston, who was end rush; L. R. Palmer, end rush; Arthur Poe, also of the football team, and Singer, the present manager of the baseball team.

A party of school girls and boys were in the box of James H. Reed, Jr. They included Miss Katherine Reed and her two house guests, Miss Lillian Howard of New York and Miss Agnes West of Philadelphia, Miss Adelaide Spencer and her house guest, Miss Grace Tillotson. The girls are all students at Miss Baldwin's school at Bryn Mawr. The boys in the party were Bayard Atwood, James Rea, Moorhead Holland, Raymond Holland and King Scott. They were chaperoned by Miss Aiken.

Mr. and Mrs. David McK. Lloyd, whose son, Henry Lloyd, is a member of the Princeton hockey team, had a party of young people, including Miss Martha Herron, Miss Merwin, Miss Jane Peebles, Miss Mary Lloyd, Miss Jane Lloyd, Miss Helen Thompson, Henry Lloyd, Jr., Jack Reed, T. Z. Carter, George Peebles, John Hamilton and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lloyd.

Others who were in boxes with members of their families and parties of friends were Dr. Thomas S. Arbuthnot, George C. Wilson, E. H. Jennings, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Garrison and their daughters, James Scott, Percy Donner and George Paul.

Engagement Announced.

The engagement has been announced at New Wilmington, Pa., of Miss Marion Crawford of New Wilmington and Lieut. Jay Taylor of the United States heavy artillery. The wedding will occur in San Francisco, Cal., the latter part of January. Lieut. Taylor is a native of Lawrence county and his parents reside near New Castle. He is at present stationed at Angel island in the Golden Gate, near San Francisco. Miss Crawford is a highly accomplished young woman, who has hosts of friends among the graduates and students of Westminster college. She is a graduate of the literary department of the college and also of the musical conservatory at New Wilmington. Both young people belong to prominent families.

Home from Their Wedding Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. David Aiken Reed are expected home from their wedding trip this evening. They spent Christmas in New York with Mrs. Reed's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox, and are to come to Pittsburgh tonight and will stay for the present with Judge and Mrs. James H. Reed in Amberson avenue, Shadyside, until they find a house, when they will go to housekeeping. Mr. and Mrs. Reed's wedding was a brilliant social event in New York, November 2, and was attended by a large party of Pittsburgh people, including Judge and Mrs. Reed and their daughter, Miss Katherine Reed, who was the maid of honor; Mrs. David Aiken and the Misses Aiken, Mr. and Mrs. William Watson Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pitcairn, Mr. and Mrs. George Westinghouse, Mr. and Mrs. Francis J. Hearne, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Marvin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Bughman and the Misses Bughman, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus G. MacConnell, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Motheral, Mrs. P. C. Knox, Mr. and Mrs. F. N. Hoffstot, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franks, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Schoonmaker, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beal, Mrs. A. Uptegraf, Thomas S. Schultz, Joseph F. Guffey and W. C. Magee.

Mr. and Mrs. William Watson Smith will give a reception on New Year's day in honor of the bride and bridegroom and next Tuesday Miss Elizabeth Utley will be hostess at cards in honor of Mrs. Reed, who before her marriage was Miss Adele Wilcox.

Mrs. King's Dance for Young People.

Mrs. Henry King was hostess last evening at a pretty school girl and boy dance in the South Highland auditorium. Mrs. King's young daughter, Miss Winifred King, has entered Farmington this year and the other guests at the dance included the girls and boys who have come home from school for Christmas and a large number of out-of-town girls who are visiting their school friends in Pittsburgh and Allegheny. Mrs. King's dance last evening was the first of a large number of private dances which will be given for these same young people night after night until they go back to school again.

The auditorium was prettily decorated in the Christmas greens, odd little Christmas novelties were the favors for the several cotillion figures danced and Mrs. King was assisted by a number of her personal friends.

Dance at the Schenley.

The Christmas dance of the Tuesday evening subscription series of cotillions at the Schenley was held last evening. The dainty ball room of the hotel was prettily decorated with green and red, a graceful arrangement of palms with holly and smilax tied with scarlet ribbons producing a bright and pretty effect. Supper was served in the dining room, where decorations in red and green prevailed. Among the guests at the dance last evening were a number of the older school girls and college men at home for the Christmas holidays. The dance was conducted under the direction of the committee, consisting of William S. Phelan, Philip B. Reilly, Frank J. Lanahan, Thomas A. Dunn, Charles E. Spigelmire and J. Frank McKenna.

In Honor of a Daughter.

Mrs. O. M. Waddle of Sprague avenue, Bellevue, gave a reception last evening for her daughter, Miss Olive Eloise Waddle. Christmas decorations made the house very beautiful, and dancing and cards were the amusement of the evening. Mrs. Waddle has as her house guests Will Rodgers, Miss Margaret Rodgers and Ward Waddle of Brilliant, O., who came for the holidays. Miss Waddle has just recently returned from a long stay abroad, where she has been studying music and languages.

Honors for Their Teacher.

A large number of the pupils of Morris Sephens captured prizes at the Eisteddfod on Christmas day, among them being Miss Bessie Ward, Miss Alice Stephens, Miss Elizabeth Stephens, Mrs. C. A. Smith, R. A. Troop, William Stephens, H. B. Lauderbaugh and George A. Heim. Among the honors and prizes which they won were those for the mixed double quartet, the ladies' quartet, contralto solo and soprano and tenor duet. Two former pupils captured the prizes for tenor and baritone solos.

Engagement Announced.

The engagement of Miss Blanche C. Patterson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. Hunter Patterson of Webster Mills, Pa., and Frank Winton Eitemiller, formerly of Pittsburgh, but now living in New York, has been announced. The wedding will probably take place in the spring. Both bride and bridegroom-elect are well known in Western Pennsylvania, both being members of old and prominent families in this part of the state.

Dinner for Two Brides.

A dinner was given last evening by Mr. and Mrs. Ben E. Tinstman at their Wellesley avenue home, in honor of Mrs. John R. K. Scott, nee Nellie Hardie, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Robert M. Campbell, nee Grace DeWitt. The decorations, confined principally to the dining room, were in the Christmas colors. The dinner was followed by a box party at the Grand opera house.

Events Today in Sewickley.

Mrs. Lawrence Pearson will give a very handsome reception at her home in Shields this afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock. There will be no honor guest for the occasion, but a large number of invitations have been issued for the affair.

Another pretty affair this evening will be the children's party to be given by Mrs. Alfred B. Barlow for her daughter, Katherine. It is in honor of Miss Katherine's birthday.

Morris-Parton.

Miss Lydia Morris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Morris of Homestead and Harry Parton of Monongahela were married yesterday at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. David Lewis, in West street, Homestead. The bridesmaid was a sister of the fiance, Miss Annie Morris, and the groomsman was George Parton. The couple will reside at Venetia, Washington county.

Informal Entertainments.

Miss Marion Crawford of Cliff street last evening entertained the members of the Colonial Cotillion club and a number of friends in honor of her house guest, Miss Marion Christy of Greenville, Pa.

Miss Lea of Pennsylvania avenue, Allegheny, was hostess at cards yesterday afternoon.

Cards Recalled.

Owing to bereavements in the family Mr. and Mrs. James Stephen Martin have recalled the cards for their series of Saturday afternoon musicales which were announced for the winter season.

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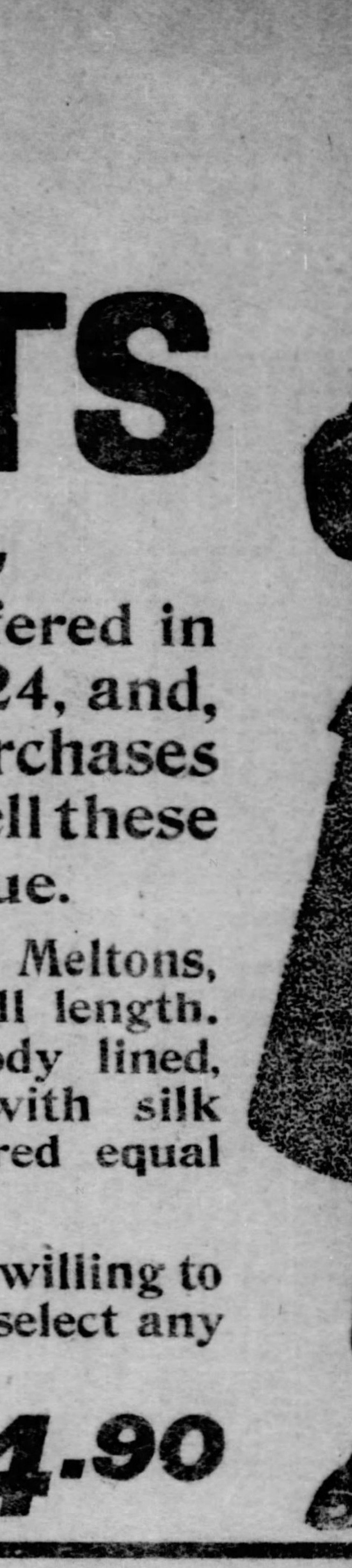

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Alliance and Cleveland	† 5:20 am	† 1:15 pm
Alliance and Wooster	† 5:40 am	†11:30 pm
Jamestown & Youngstown	† 6:30 am	† 1:20 pm
Ohio Valley Express	† 6:45 am	† 8:35 pm
Ft. Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:30 pm
Ft. Wayne and Chicago	* 7:00 am	* 5:50 am
Tiffin and Toledo	† 7:00 am	† 5:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 7:30 am	† 4:55 pm
E. Liverpool and Bellaire	‡ 7:30 am	‡ 6:55 pm
Cleveland Fast Line	* 8:00 am	* 7:40 pm
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:00 am	* 5:40 pm
Erie, Mercer and Oil City	† 8:05 am	†10:55 am
N. Castle and Jamestown	* 8:05 am	* 5:50 pm
Youngstown & Ashtabula	* 8:05 am	‡ 5:50 pm
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Columbus and Chicago	*12:25 pm	* 2:00 pm
Youngstown & Jamestown	†12:35 pm	† 8:20 am
N. Castle and Ashtabula	†12:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Alliance and Cleveland	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 1:25 pm	† 7:25 pm
Alliance and Crestline	* 1:35 pm	*12:50 pm
New Castle and Erie	† 4:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Youngstown and Niles	† 4:35 pm	* 5:50 pm
Mercer and Oil City	† 4:35 pm	† 8:30 pm
Wellsville and Bellaire	† 4:40 pm	† 7:25 pm
Cleveland Special	* 5:00 pm	*11:30 am
Wellsville and Bellaire	‡ 5:10 pm	‡ 9:10 am
N. Castle and Jamestown	‡ 5:25 pm	‡ 9:05 am
Chicago Special	* 6:30 pm	* 7:45 am
Chicago Limited	* 8:15 pm	* 6:00 am
Columbus and Cincinnati	* 8:15 pm	* 5:55 am
Indianapolis & St. Louis	* 8:15 pm	* 3:17 pm
Ind., Louis. & St. L.	* 8:15 pm	* 6:20 am
Toledo and Detroit	* 8:15 pm	* 5:50 am
Penna. (Special) Chicago	*10:10 pm	*10:20 pm
Beaver Falls & N. Castle	†10:20 pm	* 8:30 am
Alliance and Cleveland	*11:00 pm	* 5:40 am

Leave for Washington, Pa., †6:00 am, ‡7:30 am, †9:00 am, †9:45 am, †1:30 pm, †3:10 pm, †4:10 pm, †5:15 pm, ‡5:30 pm, †6:30 pm, †10:30 pm.
Leave for Wheeling, †6:45 am, *8:20 am, †11:50 am, †2:30 pm, *6:15 pm.
Leave for Steubenville, *5:40 am, †8:25 am, †2:30 pm, †4:15 pm, *10:55 pm, †11:35 am.
Leave for Dennison, *5:40 am, †2:30 pm.
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TIGERS WERE GAME, BUT GOT A TROUNCING

PRINCETON LOST THE FIRST GAME

The Keystone Team Won Hockey Contest by a Score of 5 to 0.

CROWD WENT WILD

Princeton fought valiently last night at Duquesne garden, cheered on by a host of friends, but the Keystone team was too much for the almost untrained collegians, winning the first game of the series here by a score of 5 to 0. The game was far more interesting than the score might indicate to many, for the orange and black skaters played with relentless college spirit, which never gives up until the last whistle blows, no matter what the score may be.

Not having the advantage of practice which the local teams have, the Princeton forwards were of course lacking in speed necessary for scoring, but on the defensive they were dogged and sure, making Keystone work hard for every goal obtained.

Team Work Was Evident.

The game was the cleanest of the season, though some pretty tumbling was offered when the none too sure footed collegians were sent sprawling by a hard body check. It was refreshing to see a team on the ice whose main object seemed to be the scoring of the puck, even though the play was slower than that offered in the faster but rougher league games. That accidents will happen in spite of all was demonstrated by the injury to Lake of Keystone in the second half. In a lively scrimmage he was caught by a stick full in the right eye, the flesh beneath being badly torn open. He left the ice with his face bathed in blood and at once had the care of a physician.

The contest was essentially a spectators' game. There were friends of the Princeton boys on every hand, and they offered some lively coaching from the boxes and seats. Keystone played Jonas Hall and Clarence Overend of Shadyside Academy and Lawrence Bright, a former school player here, in place of three of her regular men. These boys all came in for a share of the coaching by name as well as for good-natured jibes which greeted the student player, local or Princetonian, whenever his inexperienced feet were suddenly picked from under him.

Crowd Found Amusement.

There was more laughter and merriment than has attended any other game of the season. Rafferty, who is a Pittsburgh boy, played a strong game at point, and for his stops and rushes was frequently applauded. He is about 6 feet 3, however, and when one of the Canadians tumbled him he fell all in a hurry and with great commotion. He thus came in for his share of the fun, as did also Rulin Miller, who was substituted for O'Brien late in the second half, and promptly let loose a strenuous "don't care" style of game which gave the local experts just the opportunity they had been looking for. Miller is taller than Rafferty, if anything, and some of his rushes and tumbles afforded no end of enjoyment.

There was no lack of interest in the game for the crowd of 3,000, even if the score was 5 to 0. Princeton did not play like most teams when they are beaten, but never let up in the effort for that one goal which would prevent a shutout. The Tiger forwards were able to get the puck and could take it down the ice in good shape, but when it came to passing to another for a shot the rubber was invariably lost.

The visitors were not quick enough in passing or sure enough in shooting to score, though they had several good opportunities. On the defensive, however, McClave of football fame was able to take care of anything that came his way, as was also Rafferty. The "big one" never let a Keystone man get a clear shot from near the goal, and the scores were mostly made on long hard shots passing back of point from one of the sides. King put up a good game at goal, with about half a dozen stops to his credit. McClave and Rafferty saved him lots of work, however.

A bright spot in the Princeton play was in the steady adherence to team play methods, even if they were unable to make the science work. Each man understood the others, and there were no attempts for brilliant individualism, but a steady striving for the goals.

Scoring in First Half.

The first half was the slower of the game. Taylor scored the first goal after seven minutes of play, taking the puck down unaided from the center of the ice. Five minutes later Lake took the puck down along the side of the rink and made the score 2 to 0. Lake shortly afterward missed Princeton's most open opportunity of the game by poor shooting, and the half ended with the score 2 to 0.

The second half opened with brisker playing on both sides. Princeton evidently was trying the merits of a fast finish, but Keystone was of course used to this kind of play. Rafferty drew cheers at the start when he threw his big physique in front of the puck for a quickly played stop. Seven minutes after the start Taylor took the puck down and got a long angle shot in for a score of 3 to 0. In three minutes Lake scored a goal from a hot scrimmage close to the net. Taylor and Lake took the puck down and when Taylor's shot bounded out from King's skate Lake sent it in for keeps and the final score of 5 to 0. When Lake was injured Sewitzer took his place and the game soon after ended.

Play Scholastic Today.

This afternoon the Princeton boys meet the pick of the inter-scholastic league and will have a hard game. The contest should be the most even of the series, whoever wins. The scholastics, who lost to Yale, 2 to 0 last year, are confident of success, but Princeton has by far the heavier team. The interscholastic lineup will be as follows: Jonas Hall, goal; Overhill, point; Williams, forward, and Youngson, right wing, all from Shadyside; Zahniser, cover point, from East Liberty; Patterson, center, and Smith, left wing, from High school. The lineup last night was as follows:

Keystone—5.		Princeton—0.
Hern	Goal	King
Bish	Point	Rafferty
J. Hall	Center point	McClave
Taylor	Center	Purnell
Lake	Forward	O'Brien-Rulin-Miller
Overend	Left wing	Larned
L. Bright	Right wing	Leake

Goals—Lake 3, Taylor 2. Goal judges—Sixsmith and "Chuck" Rowe. Penalized—J. Hall. Referee—Bert Russell.

A game will in all probability be played next week between the all-interscholastic seven, which meets Princeton today, and a team picked from the school and college players home for their vacations. There are some strong local skaters at prep. schools and colleges, including Ralph Ellis of Cornell, Syl Preston of Yale, Phil Lewis of Cornell and Chuck Rowe of Princeton Prep.

TWO HARD GAMES.

Manchester Teams Will Have to do Lively Work.

The two Manchester teams will have their hands full tonight. The first team will play the strong team from Charleroi, Pa., a team which has been in existence for several years, but, as yet, has not been seen at Manchester Turner hall. The team is composed of big, husky fellows, the majority of whom are employed in the glass works at Charleroi. These players find it impossible to get away from their work on any night except Saturday, and this accounts for the fact that Manager Roth has made arrangements for this Saturday night game.

Coach Lehrman has had his men out nearly every night this week practicing for the coming game, and he feels confident that his boys will make a splendid showing tonight against the County leaguers. Manager Roth has had his boys put in extra practice for this game, and is not feeling very shaky over the outcome.

The Juniors have a hard proposition in the shape of the strong Knoxville Juniors. This team is also a new one to the Manchester patrons. The little boys have two defeats to cover up, and are bound to make things warm for the fast Knoxville lads.

The line-up for both games follow:

Manchester.		Charleroi.
Skillinger-Hay	R. F.	G. Lehrman
Koch	L. F.	P. Lehrman
Walliser-Mettke	Center	J. Weber-Hickey
Graham	R. G.	C. Weber
Burry	L. G.	Stewart-Ganghenbaugh
Manchester Jrs.		Knoxville Jrs.
Pannehill	R. F.	Brown
O'Neil	L. F.	Vaughn
King-Thompson	Center	Ulam-McBride
Hassler	L. G.	Mahler

Referee—Little.

RIVERVIEWS' VICTORY.

Defeated Manhattan in an Exciting Contest.

The Riverview Reserves defeated the Manhattan A. C. by a score of 22 to 20. The feature of the game was the shooting of Davis. The score:

Riverview—22.		Manhattan—20.
Barnes	R. F.	Meyers
Miller	L. F.	Davis
Carlisle	Center	Garten
Caplan	R. G.	Smyers
Spanier	L. G.	Grey

Field goals—Miller 5, Burns 2, Carlisle 2, Caplan 2, Spanier 1, Meyers 1, Davis 4, Garten 2, Smyers 1, Grey 1. Foul goals—Miller 1, Davis 4. Referee—O. Kauffman.

Basketball Notes.

Riverview challenges any good 16-year-old team for Fridays. For games address Charles Crawford, 29 Dunlap avenue, Allegheny.

The Gazette sporting editor has a letter for the manager of the Perrysville Jrs. which can be had by calling at this office this evening.

The Sharpsburg Reserves five will play the C. A. C. Jrs. of Braddock in the Sharpsburg town hall this evening. A good game is expected.

CORBETT CALLS THE M'GOVERN MATCH OFF

Little Champion Has a Fit of Blues and Is Disgusted With His Honors.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—It was hardly a merry Christmas that "Young Corbett," the conqueror of Terry McGovern, and a year ago today the most-talked-of personage in the sporting world, spent at his training quarters on Price Hill yesterday. The few friends who called to wish him a Christmas greeting found the little fellow having a fight to a finish with a bad attack of the blues. He came to Cincinnati more than a week ago, expecting to go into training at once for his second contest with McGovern, the same contest for which he had trained twice before, only to have it stopped at the very last moment by the authorities. Day after day he has been expecting to hear something definite from Billy Considine, the manager of the Detroit club, but has not been able to get anything from him favorable or unfavorable.

Failing to get an answer to several telegrams sent to Detroit and New York, Corbett said last night: "You can say for me that the match is off so far as I am concerned. Let them find some place where we can meet, post a forfeit, and I will be ready to begin training. Until they do I am going to pay a little attention to myself. Here I am today, miles away from my home folks, when I might have been eating Christmas dinner with them. If this is what it means to be a champion I am ready to hand it over to the first comer and try to make a living in another way. I am ready to meet anybody in the business at my weight, and if I cannot fight McGovern maybe they will not be so considerate of some of the others and allow me to earn a dollar or so.

"We were not allowed to box in Connecticut, but I see that Joe Gans, the colored champion, is to have a contest in the same state and only a few miles from the place our contest was to have taken place. I expect to go to Hot Springs tomorrow or next day, and I will go into training there and be ready for a contest any time or any place."

Corbett received an offer yesterday from E. W. Smith of the American Athletic club in Chicago. He wired his terms last night, saying that he would take on any of the Chicago featherweights.

TOKELL MUST WAIT.

English Bantam Is Sidetracked by Harry Forbes.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Andrew Tokell, the English bantam weight who came to this country recently with the intention of fighting Harry Forbes for the international championship, will have to wait several weeks for a meeting with the American champion. Forbes' agreement to give Frank Neil another battle in January means that Tokell is sidetracked for a time.

The English puglist could have got a match for the date which Forbes has now given to Neil had he been active. His manager, Prof. J. Kelly, preferred to hold back, and as a result will be out of pocket to the extent of Tokell's expenses for several weeks.

After arriving in New York Tokell agreed to come immediately to Chicago. His manager sent a message to Abe Pollock of this city that the English champion would arrive last Saturday. Tokell and Kelly not only failed to arrive, but failed to send any explanation for their failure. Had they come as scheduled the match with Forbes could probably have been easily arranged.

Local fight followers do not think that Forbes is endangering his title by giving Neil another fight and figure that the local man is wise to get all the money he can while he is in San Francisco. Forbes originally intended to return to Chicago immediately after his bout with Neil, but the peculiar ending of the fight and the new match have caused him to change his plans. He will remain in California and will have plenty of time in which to train for this second meeting with Neil.

Grove City Won the Game.

GROVE CITY, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—A very exciting game of basketball was played here last night between the Anchor team and the Grove City Stars, the score zigzagging back and forward all through the game, but the Stars finally won out by a score of 18 to 13. The playing of Allen Pearsall and Ketler were the features. The line up:

Stars—18.		Anchors—13.
Forrest	Forward	Campbell
Dodds, E. Black	Forward	Allen
Pearsall	Center	Welch
Courtney	Guard	R. Black
Ketler	Guard	Locke

Goals from field—Forrest, Pearsall 6, Ketler, Allen 4, Locke. Goals from fouls—Pearsall, Forrest, Allen 2. Referee—Sneddon. Umpire—Montgomery. Time—20 and 15 minute halves.

JOCKEYS THROWN HORSE KILLED

There Was a Lot of Excitement on New Orleans Track.

TWO FAVORITES WON

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—Sarilla and Potente were the winning favorites. The stewards, after satisfactory proof that the horses heretofore run in the name of Hatfield & Ownby and by Hatfield, Ownby & Co. are really the property of James Owaby, have recommended that Ownby be restored to all privileges as owner and trainer. Rankin was run up to $900 after his race and was bought by Durnell & Herz. Miss Knickerbocker fell at the start in the third race, broke a leg and was killed. Weather clear and cool; track fast.

First race, selling, 7 furlongs—Floyd K., 104, Gannon, 16 to 5, won; Mauser, 101, Donegan, 13 to 5, second; Helen Hay, 103, O'Neil, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:29 2-5. Vestia, Hedge, Pathos, The Wizard, Nimble Nag, Doc Woods, Sleepy Head and Cologne H. also ran.

Second race, selling, 6½ furlongs—Poundlee, 109, Donegan, 8 to 1, won; Stratton II., 108, H. Booker, 3 to 1, second; Four Leaf C., 109, Hoar, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:22. Hazel H., Flaneur, Little Jack Horner, The Caxton, Doeskin and Quicksilver Sue also ran. Bedlam threw his jockey at the start.

Third race, selling, 7 furlongs—Rankin, 102, Pollock, 12 to 1, won; Maghoni, 98, Haack, 4 to 1, second; Marco, 98, Fuller, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:30. Breaker, Candareen, Flora Levy, Brookston, Zealotry, Daddy Bender and Calana also ran. Miss Knickerbocker threw her jockey at the start.

Fourth race, handicap, 6 furlongs—Pageant, 102, Scully, 5 to 1, won; Mrs. Frank Foster, 98, Redfern, 11 to 5, second; Sheriff Bell, 110, Gannon, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:14 1-5. Pride of Galore, Burke Cochran, Farmer Jim and Lord Melbourne also ran.

Fifth race, selling, 1 1-16 miles—Sarilla, 107, Munroe, 3 to 2, won; Rough Rider, 109, Rice, 5 to 2, second; Charles Ramsey, 105, C. Wright, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:48. Eliza Dillon, Atheola, Marcos, Provost, Moshelo and King Barleycorn also ran.

Sixth race, mile—Potente, 104, Buchanan, 3 to 5, won; Major Mansir, 107, Gannon, 11 to 5, second; Smile, 110, O'Neil, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:42 2-5. Magnetic and Echodale also ran.

Entries for Saturday:

First race, selling, mile—Quixada, 112; Ceylon, Eva Rice, 113; El Rey, Montanic, Chorus Boy, 118; Lord Pepper, 121; Tilio, Russellton, Hopscotch, 125; Heroica, Alfred C., 130.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Optional, 97; Playlike, The Pride of Surrey, 99; Ed. L., 101; Ben, Mora, Andes, 102; Phrrho, 101; Tom Kingsley, 104; Boaster, 105; If You Dare, 105; Allyar, 112; Death, 119.

Third race, 1 1-16 miles—Ben Chance, 101; Sarilla, 102; Scotch Plaid, Honolulu, 102; Potente, 110. First two coupled. Westerfield entry.

Fourth race, New Orleans handicap, $1,000 added, 7 furlongs—Bard of Avon, 100; Wealth, 100; Sadducee, 110; Federal, 116; Nitrate, 113, and Golden Rule, 129 (coupled as Durnell and Herz entry).

Fifth race, purse, 5½ furlongs—Nomweta, Springstead, Chappie H., Off Set, Lexington Bess, Harry Wisdom, 102; Suburban Queen, Daddy Bender, Pride of Galore, Athanta, 105; Sweet Alice, 114.

Sixth race, selling, 2 miles—Brief, 91; Potheen, 92; Irving Mayor, 95; Ginspray, Croesus, 96; Eltholin, 99; Bushnell, 100.

TRACK WAS SLOPPY.

Horses Had Hard Going at Ingleside.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Weather threatening; track sloppy. Summary:

First race, futurity course, selling—Bernato, 112, Bullman, 4 to 1, won; St. Sever, 108, Ransch, 9 to 2, second; Karabel, 113, Troxler, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:13½. Sterling Towers, Tyrannus, Idego, Neitle Hawthorne and Estado also ran.

Second race, 1 mile, selling—Larry Witt, 106, Donnelly, 7 to 10, won; I. O. U., 103, Allier, 25 to 1, second; Sir Lewis, 103, Donovan, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:47. Dwight Way, Halmetta, Blessed Damosel and Learoyd also ran.

Third race, 11-16 miles, 2-year-olds, selling—Imp. Somnos, 110, Ransch, 4 to 1, won; Quatre, 112, Bullman, 4 to 1, second; Sir Preston, 102, Connell, 3½ to 1, third. Time, 1:11¾. Nautahka, Master Farting, Jennie Delsegno, Congar, Honey Suckle and Vigoroso also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs, handicap—Beau Ommon, 110, Bullman, 8 to 1, won; Irene Lindsey, 109, Burns, 5 to 2, second; Sad Sam, 115, Ransch, 7 to 10, third. Time, 1:15¼. Albert Enright and Hindred also ran.

Fifth race, futurity course, selling—Mocorito, 116, Bullman, 5 to 1, won; Edintorough, 110, C. Kelly, 15 to 1, second; Azarine, 108, Ransch, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. The Pride, Esther Nell, Amasa and Gibraltar also ran. Bogus Bill left at post.

Sixth race, 1 mile and 100 yards, selling—Sunello, 105, Birkenruth, 8 to 1, won; Hungarian, 105, Donovan, 6 to 1, second; Nannie Nolan, 102, Minder, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:52. Sea Lion, Prima, Castake, Morollita and Decoy also ran.

Entries for tomorrow:

First race, selling, ¾ mile—Morello, 99; Aunt Polly, 104; Saintly, 104; Sam Lazarus, Esq., 107; Miss Bemsen, 104; Claudator, 99; Miss Culver, 104; Skip Me, 104; Ray Hooker, 104; Ben Magin, 107; Intrepido, 104.

Second race, 15-16 mile, selling—Jarlettierre d'Or, 100; Homage, 107; Quiz II., 107; Silver Fizz, 107; Hand Press, 110; Rose of Hilo, 104; Marezea, 104; Stuyve, 106; Pope Leo, 110.

Third race, futurity course, purse—Organdie, 106; Iridous, 113; Sylvia Talbot, 106; Claude, 109.

Fourth race, mile, selling—Illowaho, 107; Tulare, 107; Axminster, 104; The Buffoon, 107; Galanthus, 89; Ada N., 107; Ishtar, 93; Sleeping Child, 90; Bonnie Lissak, 107; Louweiza, 90.

Fifth race, ¾ mile, selling—Ragnarok II., 109; Malaspina, 99; Dr. Bernays, 104; Cousin Carrie, 104; Cold One, 107; Jim Brownell, 109; Phyllis, 99; Parsifal, 109; Illilluoun, 104; Chappie, 104; Nuggett, 102; Joe Ripley, 107.

Sixth race, 1 1-16 miles, handicap—Byroneerdale, 91; The Fretter, 114; Hermencia, 110; Lord Badge, 98; Diderot, 105; Gaviota, 92.

WANTS TO FIGHT HERE.

Jack Hamilton Anxious to Meet McClelland in This City.

Manager Mason received a letter from Jimmy Dime of Troy, N. Y., manager of Jack Hamilton, who wants his man to meet Jack McClelland here instead of Jackson, Mich. Hamilton recently beat Jimmy Briggs of Boston. The boy who defeated Dave Sullivan, Austin Rice, Joe Bernstein and many others, while Hamilton is the first man who ever whipped Oscar Gardner when the latter was at his best.

Local boxers are sending in their names so fast to appear at the benefit for Frank McCloskey that there promises to be one of the largest programs ever given at any smoker in this city.

Jack McClelland will start to train Monday for a busy season, which his manager, Jimmy Mason, says will outdo any record for number of matches made in one year. McClelland's eyes are now healing fast, and he will be ready to go on in a week if necessary.

Victory for Mellon's Team.

On Christmas morning the Mellon National bank and Guarantee Trust Company hockey teams played at Duquesne garden. The Guarantees were handicapped by the Mellon team having Henry of the Victorias on their line-up.

G. T. Co.—0.		Mellons—5.
Wallace	Goal	Woodward
Borchers	Point	Smith
Truschel	Cover Point	Henry
Highland-Brown	Forward	Phillips
Groves	Right Wing	Stark
Brady	Left Wing	Carrigan

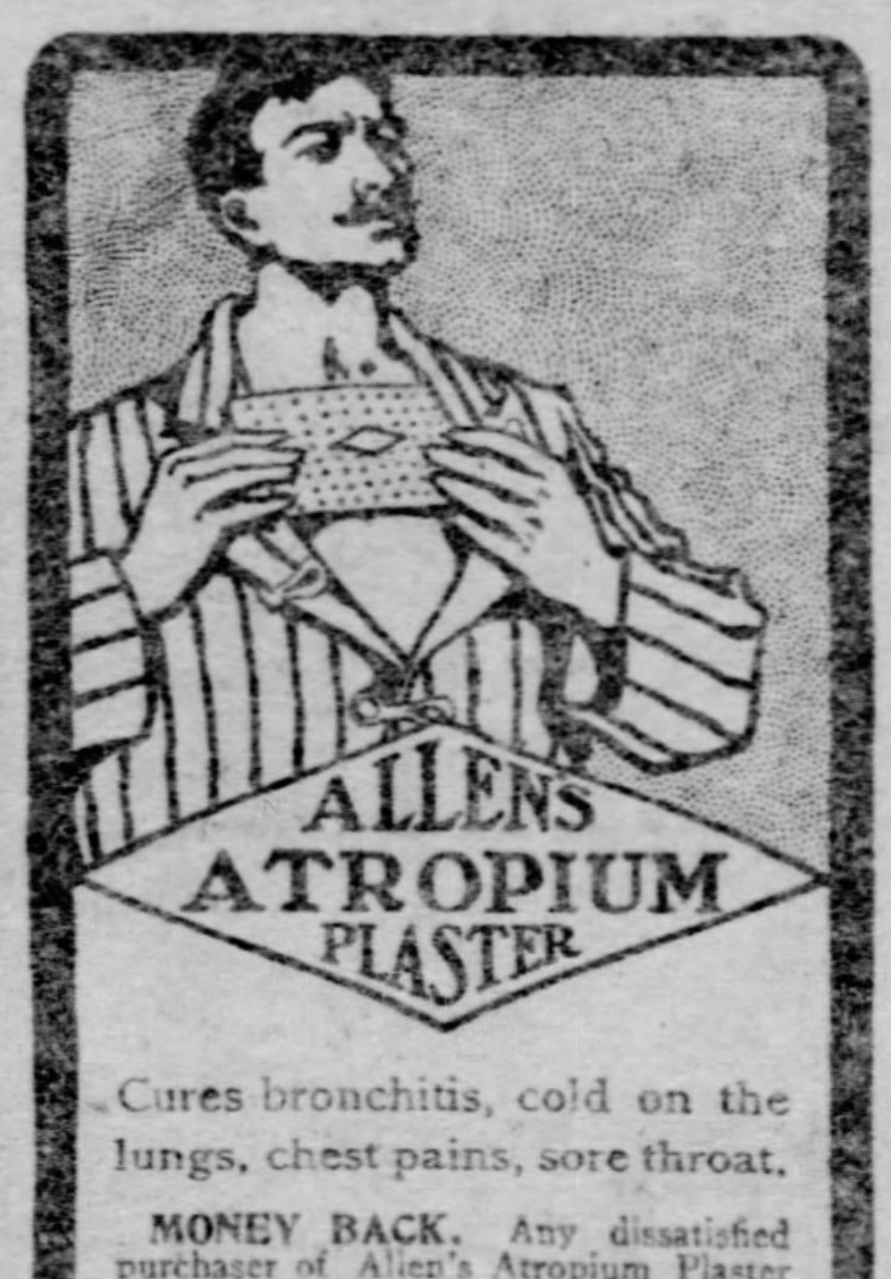
Referee—Mr. West of Bank of Commerce.

Victory for Company F.

Company F basketball team defeated the Knoxville A. C. by a score of 22 to 3. Features of the game were the goal shooting of Finerty and the guarding of Duff. Vaughn and Brown played well for Knoxville. Line-up:

Company F—22.		Knoxvill—
Finerty	Right forward	Vaughn
Whitehead	Left forward	Brown
Engstrom	Center	Broum
Jones-Duff	Left guard	McBride
Meader	Right guard	Mahter

Scorer—William Hunzeker. Timer—C. Lawton.



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NEWS OF NEARBY TOWNS AND COUNTRY

COLLEGE CITY EXCITED OVER SMALLPOX CASES

Seventeen Quarantines in Delaware, O., With Three Deaths Reported.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

DELAWARE, O., Dec. 26.—The people of this city are greatly excited over the presence of smallpox. There are 19 cases in 17 quarantines and 3 deaths. The board of health has ordered the entire city districted and every physician in town is assigned a portion to vaccinate or report that the same had been done. Some of the physicians have rebelled against the idea and claim they will not do the work at 25 cents each. One physician worked nearly half a day and vaccinated but three people.

The cook at the Phi Psi fraternity has the disease and seven of the eight members escaped before the officers got the quarantine established. One student living in Massachusetts street is closed in, but is not sick yet.

The college and city schools are closed for the regular holiday vacation. The library for cataloguing is closed, and orders issued for no Sunday church services. The disease is mostly among the white people and some of the quarantines are in the best localities in Delaware.

Shot During Christmas Row.

SLIPPERY ROCK, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—During a Christmas row at North Slippery Rock the new mining town, "Joe" Gardini was seriously shot, it is alleged, by Antonio Spezzio. The fight occurred in a four-roomed house occupied by 19 Italian miners. Dr. W. R. Hockenberry of this place was called several hours after the shooting occurred and had some trouble extracting the bullet from Gardini's groin. A warrant was issued for Spezzio, but he has not been captured.

STATE AND NEIGHBORHOOD.

ALTOONA, PA.—While sitting on the track in the Pennsylvania railroad yards near this city Thomas Nagle and James Momer were run down by an engine. Both will die.

BEDFORD—Davis Eichelberger of Hopewell was accidentally drowned by falling from the bridge which spans Yellow creek at this place. The water is very high and his body has not been recovered.

SHARON, PA.—The board of education has decided to erect two new school buildings here, to cost $35,000 each. One will be erected in Central ward and the other on Prospect heights. It was also stated that within the next two years a high school building will be built.

CORRY, PA.—One of the noted buildings in the state, the Greeley homestead, six miles from this city on the state line, was destroyed by fire. Here Horace Greeley spent the earlier years of his life and frequently visited his brother Barness. A nephew, Burt Greeley, and family escaped in their night clothes.

SHARON, PA.—The Sir Thomas Drake heirs in Eastern Ohio and Western Pennsylvania have decided to push their claims for the vast fortune that is said to have been left in England. They have received every assurance from their attorney that the fortune of $200,000,000 will be distributed among them before the close of 1903.

OLDEST CARRIER GETS JOB AGAIN

"UNCLE BILLY" SCADDEN.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., Dec. 26.—"Uncle Billy" Scadden will shortly resume his duties in the mail service of Uncle Sam as a carrier. Before the new mail service was established between this city and Chester, W. Va., directly across the Ohio river, Scadden had complete charge of the delivery of all mails to the Chester postoffice. He was the oldest man in the service of the department. Scadden is 88 years old and has carried the mail from East Liverpool to Chester since a postoffice was established there, 18 years ago.

A few weeks ago a contract was made by the postoffice department with the East Liverpool & Chester electric line to deliver all regular mails at Chester, and accordingly Scadden received his discharge.

The postoffice at Chester is about a mile from the local office. "Uncle Billy" used to carry the mail bag slung over his shoulder. He delivered the mail daily to over 4,000 patrons. When the bag was too heavy for the tottering old man to carry he would haul it in an old wheelbarrow.

When Scadden was discharged his grief was inconsolable. The department sent him three months' extra pay, but this did not serve as a balm for his wounded feelings. He was wont to sit all day before the postoffice and watch the street railway company receive and deliver mails, and lament the loss of his position.

Now his face beams with hope as he talks of his new prospects. A new mail service is to be established between New Cumberland and Chester by rail. "Uncle Billy" will be appointed mail carrier and will take charge of the mail at the Chester depot and deliver it at the Chester postoffice, thus retaining his reputation as the oldest active mail carrier in the service.

Excursion to Wheeling Tomorrow.

Train leaves B. & O. R. R. depot 8:30 a. m. Fare $1.50 round trip.

TELEPHONE COMPANY LOSES IN NEW CASTLE

City Wins Another Point in the Erection of Poles on Streets.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 26.—Exceptions to the decree of Judge Walling of Erie to the decree in the case of the Bell Telephone Company against the city of New Castle were dismissed in an opinion filed by him here today. This means that the case which has attracted more attention than any other that has been tried in the civil courts of Pennsylvania for many years is up for the supreme court to decide.

Several months ago the Bell Telephone Company began the erection of a line of poles along North Jefferson street. The poles were not first located by the city engineer according to the terms of the city ordinance, the company taking upon itself the full control of the work. For 12 hours the erection of the poles continued and at 6 o'clock in the evening the workmen left for their homes. In the dusk of the following morning a force of men in the employ of Street Commissioner Magee cut down the poles.

An injunction was secured, but not until the work of demolition was practically complete. The telephone company brought suit against the city, and Judge Walling, at the time specially presiding in the Lawrence county courts here, heard the case and rendered a decision in favor of the city. Exceptions were filed by the plaintiff's attorney, but were today dismissed. In his opinion Judge Walling holds that the right to reasonably regulate the manner in which poles and wires are to be placed in the city belongs to the municipality. This, he claims, must be so, for the city is responsible for the condition of its streets and is liable for damages if it suffers such structures to be negligently constructed or maintained therein.

"And, whereas," he continues, "in this case there are numerous companies having poles and wires in the streets, an ordinance requiring such companies to apply to councils for locations for their respective poles is not unreasonable. The city is not attempting to interfere with any of the defendant's poles now in the street, but is only asking that in extending the pole lines the city councils shall designate the locations of the new poles."

Water Company Chartered.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—A charter has just been granted to the West Pittsburgh Water Company, in which West Pittsburgh men are interested. The directors are John W. Garland, Robert Garland, F. F. Hodkinson and John M. Cunningham, all of Pittsburgh, and Attorney William K. Hughes, of this city. John W. Garland, president of the Garland Chain Company, of Rankin, Pa., owns the controlling interest in the company, which is organized to furnish water to the new industrial town of West Pittsburgh, six miles south of this city.

FARMERS SHOT DOWN BY HIGHWAYMAN GANG

One Man Is Dead and Four Wounded in Battle in West Virginia.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CUMBERLAND, MD., Dec. 26.—William Smith is reported to have died at his home near Keystone, W. Va., as the result of a battle in which four others were wounded, two of whom were brothers of the dead man.

Warren Edward and William Smith and George and John Liedy were on their way to attend a country dance when they are alleged to have met two men, who, with drawn shotguns, demanded their valuables. The farmers refused to accede to the request and the robbers commenced to shoot, the others defending themselves with revolvers. A lively battle was the result, the five farmers being more or less wounded.

William Smith was badly shot and one of the other brothers is said to be near death's door. The highwaymen made their escape, but it is thought that one of them was badly wounded, as a trail of blood was left behind for some distance.

Awarded $300 Damages.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Arthur H. and Palmer A. Stafford have been awarded $300 damages against the Pennsylvania railroad in two suits entered, aggregating claims of $15,000. Arthur Stafford lost an arm under an engine at Transfer several months ago and alleged the accident resulted from defective equipment. He wanted $5,000 and his father sued for $10,000, as his son was his sole support. It was left to arbitrators, who give the plaintiffs $300.

Merchant Shot Dead.

CHARLESTON, W. VA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—William Dickinson, a prominent merchant of Kanawha, son of Dr. Dickinson of Anstead, W. Va., was shot and instantly killed last night at Hawks Nest, it is alleged, by George F. Hughes, a coal miner. The difficulty between the men arose over a business transaction. Hughes went to Dickinson's home and called him to his door, and, it is charged, opened fire on him. Hughes has escaped.

Thieves Stole False Teeth.

NEW CASTLE, PA., Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Robbers looted the dental office of Dr. William P. Felch here on Christmas eve, but the robbery was not discovered until late last night, when Dr. Felch had occasion to visit his office. The affair was evidently done by persons familiar with dentistry, as all the instruments and best teeth were taken, those of no value being left.

Delightful Relief from Catarrh.—Here is one of a thousand such testimonies. The Rev. A. D. Buckley of Buffalo, says: "I wish all to know what a blessing Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder is in a case of catarrh. I was troubled with this disease for years, but the first time I used this remedy it gave most delightful relief. I now regard myself entirely cured after using it for two months."—24.

Sentenced to Death

By "the Best Physicians of Elgin," but Neuropathy Saved Him.

Mr. Henry A. Groce, one of the pioneer residents of Elgin, Ill., was saved from a terrible and lingering death from dropsy and heart disease by means of the wonderful discovery that derangements of the brain center called the "seat of life" is the principal cause of many diseases. He says:

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Mr. Groce's is only one of the many hundreds of remarkable cures effected by Dr. Miles' discovery regarding the "Brain Centers." His reputation as a specialist is national. All afflicted persons are advised to write to him. He will send you one thousand testimonials, his book on "Neuropathy" and an Examination Chart free. No charge for examination or opinion by mail. 203 to 217 State street, Chicago, Ill.

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Special for Today.

MEN'S SUITS—Neat fancy mixtures and blue or black Cheviots. Well made and finished. Reduced from $6 to Clearance Sale price of.......... $3.75

$5.00 IS THE CLEARANCE PRICE FOR MEN'S $7.50 OVERCOATS. Strictly all-wool Irish frieze in Oxford gray or black. Warm, well made coats that are worth every cent of their former price of $7.50. There's nothing cheap about these coats but the price.

$7.50 IS THE CLEARANCE PRICE ON $10 AND $12 SUITS AND OVERCOATS. A choice of stylish suits in a wide range of all-wool fabrics, cut in correct sack styles, well tailored. Overcoats in winter-weight materials, cut short or long. All splendid value at their former prices and now matchless bargains.

$10.00 IS THE CLEARANCE PRICE ON $13.50 AND $15 SUITS AND OVERCOATS. At these former prices these suits and overcoats were easily leaders and now the price slashing knife has made them the best values ever offered at any sale. Well tailored, superior garments, right up-to-date and truly rare offerings.

$15.00 IS THE CLEARANCE PRICE ON $18 TO $22 SUITS AND OVERCOATS. Choice of suits and overcoats that sold at $18, $20 and $22 and present every favored style of the season in Men's high class attire. Exceptional tailoring and style characterizes these garments and makes them wonderful values at this cut price.

$20.00 IS THE CLEARANCE PRICE ON $25 AND $30 SUITS AND OVERCOATS. These swell overcoats and smart suits are the best that modern tailoring can produce. At this cut price they are money-saving investments for any well-dressed man who, even if he does not need new garments right now, will buy for the future.

$1.00 For $1.50 and $1.75 Trousers. Made of fancy striped worsteds, cassimeres and corduroys. Exceptional values.

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24c FOR BOYS' 50c KNEE PANTS. Made of all-wool striped cassimeres. Ages 4 to 9. Well finished and long wearing.

$1.88 FOR BOYS' $3 AND $3.50 REEFERS. Made from blue chinchilla and Irish frieze in oxford gray or brown. Ages 10 to 15.

$1.85 FOR BOYS' $3 DOUBLE BREASTED SUITS. Fancy mixtures or brown and drab corduroys. Ages 8 to 15. Well made, desirable suits.

$2.39 FOR BOYS' $3.50 AND $3.90 BLOUSE SUITS. Fancy cheviots or serges in royal blue, red or brown. Ages 3 to 8. Special.

$1.90 FOR BOYS' $3.50 VESTEE SUITS. Coat, knee pants and vest; ages 4 to 9. Made of fancy cheviots and worsteds in nice manner.

$2.39 FOR BOYS' $4 AND $4.50 REEFERS. Ages 2½ to 5. Made of Melton and Friezes in brown, red and tan. Very special.

$2.85 FOR CHILDREN'S $4 OVERCOATS. Made of oxford gray Meltons, well stitched and finished. Ages 3 to 8. Exceptional values.

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Young Men's Long Trousers, 27 to 32-in. in seam, $1.25 value—75c.

33⅓ Off Harness—Clearing Out. Horse Supplies Never So Cheap.

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Come Quickly If You Wish to Secure the Best Offerings.

Winter Caps Price-Cut.

Men's Fine Electric Seal Fur Caps. Driving and Detroit styles—$5.00 quality at.......... $3.50

Men's Fine French Seal Fur Caps. Driving, Detroit and Turban styles; $4.00 quality, at.......... $2.98

Men's French Coney Fur Caps. Driving, Detroit and College styles; $1.50 and $2.00 qualities, at.......... $1.25

Men's Finest Quality Waterproof Silk Plush Caps. Driving and Windsor styles, at.......... $1.48

Children's Pull-Down Tam O'Shanters—Also fine all-wool Toques, fancy knit—the newest patterns and colors—price.......... 49c

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MEN'S NATURAL AND CAMEL'S HAIR UNDERWEAR—Extra heavy winter weight—full shaped garments—medium and full size only—$1.00 values at, per garment.......... 50c

MEN'S ALL-WOOL SCARLET UNDERWEAR—Also heavy Arctic plush back—absolutely cold-resisting—soft and non-irritating—$1.25 value, at, per garment.......... 75c

MEN'S ALL-WOOL JERSEY RIBBED UNDERWEAR—In blue and flesh colors—silk front on shirts—sateen facings on drawers—$1.50 value, at, per garment.......... 84c

MEN'S NAVY BLUE JERSEY CLOTH WORK SHIRTS—Fleece lined—outside pockets—a most suitable garment for outdoor work—75c value, at.......... 59c

MEN'S HEAVY ALL-WOOL SCOTCH GLOVES—Plain or fancy colors—extra long double knit wrists—would generally retail at 50c per pair—today's price, per pair.......... 25c

MEN'S HEAVY OIL TANNED WORKING GLOVES—Fleece lined—reinforced thumbs, long knit wool wrists—per pair.......... 45c

MEN'S HEAVY RIBBED SWEATERS—Black and navy blue—made with high double roll collar—$1.50 value, at.......... $1.00

MEN'S CARDIGAN JACKETS—Close ribbed—single and double breasted—silk bound collar and fronts—made with two pockets—$1.50 value at.......... 89c

MEN'S HOUSE, OFFICE AND BAR COATS—Made of heavy wool Jersey cloth—double or single breasted; black and navy blue colors—also light tans; values up to $3.98; choice at.......... $2.48

OPTIMISTIC VIEW TAKEN OF FUTURE

Prof. Seligman Makes Opening Address Before Historians and Students.

ALSO LOOKS BACKWARD

Increase of Luxury and Materialism of Today Compared With That of Ancient Greece and Rome—Slavery of the Past.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The American Historical society and the American Economic association, each of which will be in session in this city until Tuesday, formally opened their annual session tonight by holding a joint meeting in the Drexel institute. Beginning tomorrow the organizations will hold separate sessions. There is a large attendance of professors from many of the educational institutions of the country.

Dr. Joseph Wharton of the School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, welcomed both organizations, after which the president of each society delivered his annual address. Capt. A. T. Mahan, United States navy, retired, president of the Historical society, spoke on "Subordination in Historical Treatment," and E. R. A. Seligman, professor of economics in Columbia university, president of the Economical association, had for his subject "Economic and Social Progress." Prof. Seligman spoke, in part, as follows:

Change in Economic Conditions.

An economic analysis based on changing conditions is of the utmost possible service. The fundamental problem connected with social development is after all this: Whither are we tending? What are the forces that are making for progress or retrogression? What lessons have the economic interpretation of the past and of the present to teach us in our guidance for the future?

There is no blinking the fact that many give a pessimistic answer to these queries. They call attention to the increase of luxury and of materialism. They look with suspicion upon what they term the growing plutocracy of the oriental monarchies of classic Greece and Rome, and tell us that in our case, too, the period of unquestioned prosperity which is now upon us will inevitably be followed by one of decay and final dissolution.

I venture to affirm, however, that a more discriminating study would disclose the existence of several factors, gloomy and despondent attitude, and that, on the contrary, the outlook is not dark, but promising indeed.

Given Under Six Heads.

I venture to call your attention to six points which differentiate modern industrial society from all its predecessors: These are, first, the practical exhaustion of free land; second, the predominence of industrial capital; third, the application of scientific methods; fourth, the existence of a competitive regime based on the newer condition of liberty; fifth, the spread of education and the birth of a distinct public opinion; sixth, a true democratic spirit and the growth of a new idealism.

We speak glibly of the recent progress of science, but few realize the true import of this growing subjection of nature to man, and of the revolutionary character of this harnessing of the powers of the universe to the yoke of the human intellect. For one it has made possible an almost limitless increase in production.

In modern times the progress of economic thought, and the presence of economic fact in uplifting the hitherto submerged classes of the community is generating a public opinion which frankly recognize the benefits of a healthy competition, but which insists more and more on effective social control of competition to the end that it be elevated and purified.

This is the true meaning of the sixth point of difference—the flower and the fruit of all its forerunners—the existence of the democratic ideal.

INDUSTRIOUS METER LANDS MAN IN PRISON

Thrifty Philadelphian Cuts Down Gas Bills, but Comes to Grief.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Public Ledger Building,
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.

Thrifty householders who have tried devious plans to cut down their gas bills by tampering with the meter should take warning from the fate of James H. Pfeiger, a cigar dealer at 2001 North Eleventh street. Charged with "fixing" the busy meter in his cellar, he was arrested today on complaint of the United Gas Improvement Company, and is now in jail in default of $600 bail.

Officers of the gas company said at the hearing before Magistrate Kochersperger today that the meter in Pfeiger's cellar never seemed to work properly, and, although it was changed four times, the cigar man's bills never grew beyond a certain size. Early this week an inspector was sent to the place to take the meter out. Pfeiger was away and his wife opposed his entering the cellar during her husband's absence. The gas man, however, had his orders, so he went ahead and removed the register, despite the woman's remonstrances. He found a wire cleverly inserted in the dial to keep the hands from turning, although it did not obstruct the flow of gas. The device was not only clever, but a simple one as well, and Pfeiger found it to work so well that it is said he instructed some of his neighbors in the new and easy method of saving gas bills.

BROKE HANDCUFFS TWICE.

Obstreperous Greek Also Chewed Two Policemen.

Lee Loson, a powerful Greek, was given 30 days to the workhouse yesterday by Burgess James Horner of Wilkinsburg. Christmas night Policeman Kessler attempted to arrest Loson as a suspicious character. The Greek bit Kessler on the hand and leg. Kessler called for help and Chief of Police Floyd Ross responded.

The two officers were a mere handful for the Greek, who also bit Ross on the hand. The officers, with the assistance of two citizens, landed Loson in the lockup, but only after he had broken two pairs of handcuffs.

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ANTON LUTZ ANSWERS SUIT OF JAMES KIFER

Brewer Says He Subscribed for Stock in Standard Bank in Good Faith.

Affidavits of defense have been filed by Anton Lutz and other business men of Pittsburgh to the suits of James Kifer, who attempted to organize a $2,000,000 Standard National bank, and who was recently arrested on a charge preferred against him at Washington, D. C., by government officials for attempting to obtain, as the officials allege, a list of the stockholders of the Exchange National bank from a lady clerk in the treasury department.

Mr. Lutz admits that he subscribed for 20 shares of the stock in the proposed bank, but avers that the subscription was made with the understanding with the plaintiff that the entire capitalization of $2,000,000 should be subscribed for by responsible persons promptly, and the bank put into operation within a reasonable time. Mr. Lutz avers that the provisions on which he subscribed for stock were not carried out, and that many of the stockholders appearing on the plaintiff's list are not bona fide. He denies that he is liable for any sum whatever.

New Suits Entered.

Defendant.	Plaintiff.	Action.
COMMON PLEAS NO. 1.		
Max Cleckner	Pittsburgh Railways Company	Tres
Albert Wehrheim	The City of Pittsburgh	Tres
Joseph C. Boggs	Charles Spainer et ux.	Appeal
R. G. Pape	Antonio Abbenzzio	Appeal
Joseph Falcon	Gordon Stewart	Sci. fa. rev
COMMON PLEAS NO. 2.		
James F. Cook	Keally Bros. & Co.	Appeal
George Terhorst	Louis Gerhart et ux.	Tres
COMMON PLEAS NO. 3.		
Henry Graf	German Beneficial Union	Appeal
Sophia Eheers	Cate Steltz or Kate Steltz	Sci. fa. rev
J. Frank Miller, trustee	William Harris et al. assignees	Sci. fa. sur. mtge
Leech Wall Paper Company	Thuma & Keilhocker	Assp

LEGAL BRIEFS.

By the will of Alice Wood Metcalf an estate worth about $27,000 goes to near relatives. The will of James Anderson leaves $2,000 to his wife.

George Terhorst sued Louis Gerhart for $2,000 damages. The plaintiff claims the defendant allowed a sewer to empty on his lot on Somers street.

The will of Dr. J. B. Crombie, who was killed by a train in Allegheny on December 22, last, was filed. The estate, which is valued at $13,000, goes to his wife. Donaldson Bros. are attorneys for the estate.

Application was made to the district attorney for requisition papers in the case of John Pasco, under arrest in New Jersey for the alleged theft of $29 from B. E. Arons. The papers in the case were filed in the clerk of court's office.

The master in the divorce case of Margaret Blattner against Joseph Blattner, filed his report, recommending that a decree be granted. It is alleged the respondent refused to work, that he threatened to kill his wife and that when she was ill he refused to call a doctor.

Executions were issued as follows: Commonwealth of Pennsylvania use, Harold Nathan, extr. vs. J. H. McCreery et al., $2,335 12; T. Tulley vs. Essie Downing et al., $55 49; same vs. Henry Gray et al., $158; same vs. Catherine Hodwick, $104; same vs. Mary H. Hoover et al., $113; same vs. A. Lewis et al., $06 65.

An application of defense was filed in the case of Sebastian Scheref against Philip Dreher, an action to recover for a suit of clothes purchased. The defendant says that the plaintiff had him arrested for obtaining the clothes under alleged false representative, and asks that the costs of the case be declared a set off for the balance due on the clothes.

SURPRISED AT MORGAN.

Admiral Walker Defends Canal Commission from Charges of Extravagance.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Rear Admiral Walker, as president of the isthmian canal commission made today an indignant refutation of the charges of extravagance in expenditures by the isthmian canal commission. Said Admiral Walker:

"If I had not read it in the Congressional Record I would not have believed that Senator Morgan ever made such a statement as that he was unable to obtain any official information as to what salaries were being paid to the members of the commission and to those in its employ.

"A note to the president, to the secretary of state, to the auditor, or comptroller of the treasury, or to myself would have promptly brought forth the desired information. The salaries of the members of the commission were fixed by President McKinley at $12,000 a year, together with the actual and necessary expenses of travel. Large sums have necessarily been spent for travel, surveys, salaries, etc., but not a single voucher allowed by the commission has been disallowed by the higher authorities."

LORENZ FUNERAL TODAY

Pittsburgh Relatives Acquiesce in Arrangements for Burial at Mt. Clemens.

DETROIT, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—There will be no controversy over the final disposition of the remains of the late William McKee Lorenz of Pittsburgh and the body will be buried at Mt. Clemens tomorrow afternoon. A party of relatives of the deceased, consisting of his mother, brother and stepfather arrived from Pittsburgh this evening and were immediately driven to the Lorenz home, where a conference was held with Mrs. Lorenz and at its conclusion it was announced that the arrangements already made would be carried out, except that the funeral will be held tomorrow instead of on Sunday.

The pallbearers selected are from among the most prominent citizens of Mt. Clemens. They are Judge William H. Sheir, Oscar Lungerhousen, John Westburne, Paul Ullrich, Charles Ferris and Judge Galzy.

GIFT FROM FORMER SLAVE

President Roosevelt Receives Elaborately Carved Cane from Georgia Negro.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—Among the Christmas presents received by President Roosevelt was a curiously carved walking stick from a former Georgia slave, James Atkinson. The work indicates that the carver must have been engaged for many months.

On the cane, which is a rather large one, are 103 images. Twelve of the images are of people, and a number of them are good likenesses. These images begin at the top of the cane and include George Washington, President Roosevelt, Queen Victoria, Mrs. Ida McKinley and Christ on the cross. There are 15 fowls, three dolls and six houses on the cane. Many of the images are well carved.

HELD AS FARM LAND.

Suit Against Colorado Fuel and Iron Company to Clear Its Title to Valuable Coal Property.

DENVER, Dec. 26.—Suits involving $5,000,000 have been filed in the United States land office at Pueblo by Attorneys for the Utah Fuel Company against the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company. These suits are 40 in number and involve title to 5,000 acres of coal land on the western slope valued at $1,000 an acre.

It is alleged that the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company is holding the land as agricultural land and the patents, or applications so read, and that the Utah company will lose heavily in coal mines already opened unless the titles obtained by the Colorado Company are set aside.

The suits are filed, it is believed, as a preliminary step to the merging of the two corporations, the action being taken to clear titles.

Only One Escapes.

GRANTON, Dec. 26.—The Norwegian bark G. S. Penry, which sailed from Brunswick October 28 for this port, is ashore at Scaw and will be a total wreck. The cargo is washing ashore. Only one of the crew was saved. Capt. Tobiasen was drowned.

ISLAND OF GUAM FACES A DEFICIT

Governor Schroeder Asks Congress for $43,000 for Public Improvements.

EFFECT OF HURRICANE

Disaster of 1900 Still Has Adverse Influence on Industry. Philippine Currency Should Be Made Legal Tender There Also

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The annual report of Commander Seaton Schroeder, governor of the island of Guam, which is dated July 16, and which has just reached the navy department, indicates a rather serious condition in the island finances owing to the failure of congress to appropriate the sum asked for last year. The receipts last year were in round numbers $66,000, which, however, is a decrease of over $13,000 in the cash balance for the preceding year. This loss is due largely to the unexpected expenses incident to the establishment of the leper colony and the decrease of over $10,000 in import duties. Commander Schroeder reports that it has been deemed prudent to stop all work of public improvement until further appropriations are made.

The value of the exports and imports during the year have been respectively $35,549 and $35,165. The exports consisted almost entirely of Mexican dollars. Not a pound of copra has been exported and neither cocoa or coffee has been produced in sufficient quantities to supply the home market, owing to the slow recoveries from the effects of the hurricane of 1900. The governor suggests that it would be a great boon if the department of agriculture would establish an experimental station in the island.

The governor recommends that if a Philippine silver dollar of fixed value is to be coined under the laws of the United States that it be made legal tender also in Guam in place of the present Mexican dollar. The census of the island taken last autumn shows the total population to be 9,670, or whom only 46 are foreigners, 14 being citizens of the United States. The latter does not include officers and men of the navy or other civil employes, temporarily imported from the United States. Above the age of 7, 46 per cent of the natives read and write Spanish. He says that the natives still continue to refuse to allow their sick to receive medical attention, but that conditions are improving, an excess of births over deaths being shown for each of the last two years.

Commander Schroder says that there are 24 lepers in seclusion at Tumon bay. The governor recommends improvements in facilities for education and also that the laws for the government of the island should be remodeled and modified. The governor says there is a desire for United States citizenship among persons domiciled in the island. He calls attention to the case of Pedro M. Duarte, at present the auditor of the island. He occupies an anomalous position. He was an officer in the Spanish army who resigned after the war and who obtained an acceptance of renunciation of allegiance. The result is that today he is a citizen of no country.

The governor recommends an appropriation of about $43,000 for public improvements.

DIAMOND WIDENING BEGINS ON APRIL 1

Owners of Property Will Be Notified Within a Week. Theater Improvements.

The owners of property in Diamond street, to whom the viewers awarded damages in the street widening cases, will receive notice before January 1 from the department of public works informing them that the improvements will be begun as soon as the old leases have expired, after April 1. If the work is not commenced at that time, any lease granted by the owners of the property affected will be revocable on short notice.

The widening of the street will mean immense improvements to the Grand opera house. The old building facing Diamond street will be placed on rollers and moved northward until it adjoins the walls of the new structure in Fifth avenue. There is considerable space between the two buildings, which at present is occupied by the dome-like entrance. This will be utilized in remodeling the auditorium and will give the theater a greater seating capacity and more stage room, as well as a wide entrance in Diamond street. It is expected that the work will be begun immediately after the close of the present season.

Harry Davis, owner of the opera house, yesterday denied the report that he intended building a new theater at Nos. 130-138 Sixth street. He stated that the remodeled building would offer as good a site as he desired.

HAVE YOU ANY OF THESE

Symptoms of a Very Common Trouble?

There is no disease so common in the United States as catarrh, because it appears in so many forms and attacks so many different organs.

It is a common mistake to suppose that catarrh is confined to the nose and throat. Any inflammation of the mucous membrane, wherever located, accompanied by abnormal secretions, is catarrh. Catarrh of stomach or bladder or intestines is nearly as common as nasal catarrh and much more serious, although it is true that stomach catarrh and catarrh of other internal organs is the result of neglected nasal catarrh.

A new remedy has recently appeared which, so far as tested, seems to be remarkably effective in promptly curing catarrh, wherever located. The preparation is sold by druggists generally under name of Stuart's Catarrh Tablets and in addition to being very palatable and convenient, possesses extraordinary merit, in many cases giving immediate relief from the coughing, hawking and constant clearing of the throat and head, those symptoms with which everyone is familiar who has ever suffered from colds in the head and throat.

Catarrh is simply a continuation of these symptoms until the trouble becomes chronic and grows gradually worse from year to year.

Stuart's Catarrh Tablets are composed of Blood root, red gum and similar antiseptics and catarrh specifics, from which it will be seen that no secret is made of the ingredients and also that no mineral poisons are used, as is the case with many well-known catarrh medicines.

For catarrh of the nose, throat, bronchial tubes, for catarrh of stomach, intestines or bladder no preparation is so safe and gives such rapid and permanent results as Stuart's Catarrh Tablets.

All druggists sell them at 50c for full sized package. You can use them with assurance that you will not contract the cocaine or morphine habit, as the results from this catarrh cure are apparent from the first day's use.

WANTED.

Agents.

WANTED—Person to call on retail trade and agents for manufacturing house, local territory; salary $19.70, paid weekly and expense money advanced. Previous experience unnecessary; business successful. Enclose self-addressed envelope. Standard House, Caxton building, Chicago.

THE ball check light system; any gas, any burner, any mantle; better light, less cost. Sample by mail, 35c. Rudmani Co., Newark, N. J.

Male Help.

ALL MEN WHO WORK READ THIS.
Are you satisfied with your present employment? Is your pay sufficient for the work you perform? Or are you tramping the streets hunting for work? If you would succeed call and interview us, and we will give you a letter to one or more of our patrons, where you may secure profitable work according to your ability. Come in and see us; it costs you nothing.
Call or write STATE,
Room 203, 545 Liberty st.

COLLECTORS, warehousemen, drivers, young men to act as salesmen, no experience necessary; factory hands, men seeking employment. Call, EMPIRE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU, 425 Diamond st., above Smithfield st.

DRIVERS—Must have experience in freight depot and city deliveries. Apply 6 o'clock in morning, 840 West North ave., Allegheny.

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ENGINEER—At once, for electric light plant. Apply, with references, C. H. Rowe, Penn and Highland aves., E. E.

GOVERNMENT POSITIONS—More than 13,000 appointments made last year; chances better for 1903. Hundreds whom we prepared have been appointed. Circular 179, giving full particulars as to positions, salaries, etc., sent free. Address National Correspondence Institute, Washington, D. C.

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LADY in each county to manage business; old established house, solid financial standing. Straight bona fide weekly cash salary $18 paid by checks each Wednesday, with all expenses direct from headquarters; money advanced for expenses. Manager, 352 Caxton bldg.

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STENOGRAPHER—Woman, one who has had several years' experience and can come well recommended. Address N 39, The Gazette.

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LEARN PROOFREADING; situations secured; $15 to $25 weekly. Home Correspondence school, Philadelphia.

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A USEFUL CHRISTMAS PRESENT.
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PUPILS—Day and night school for young and middle aged men and women. Actual Business College, 310 Fifth avenue, big ten-cent store building. Call or write for catalogues.

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FARM wanted for Boys' Industrial Home, within 25 miles of Pittsburgh, convenient to railroads, containing about 100 acres good, arable land. Send description and terms. J. W. Cleland, Room 21, Dispensary bldg., Pittsburgh.

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WANTED—Desk room in office centrally located; use of 'phone and stenographer. Address M 39, The Gazette.

DESK ROOM in office centrally located. Address T 41, The Gazette.

Boarders.

BOARDERS and mealers; all conveniences. 816 Sandusky st., Allegheny.

Miscellaneous.

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'TIS COLD—Every home should have a Cameron's Little Heater. A gas jet such as is used for light furnishes the heat. Send for circular. L. O. Cameron, Bellevue.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Both telephones.

FOR RENT.

East End Residences.

SEND for complete list of East End houses. J. W. SHERRER, 107 Sheridan ave., E. E.

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OFFICES TO LET.
En suite; new Lewis Block annex, Sixth avenue and Smithfield street; large, sunny and centrally located.
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FOR RENT—100 acres good land, buildings, markets 2 miles from Clairton. Inquire of James Large, Gill Hall, Pa., half mile from Cochran Mill, B. & O. station.

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BLACK & BAIRD,
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$1,850 will buy new 5-room house, bath, water and gas; slate roof; cement cellar; lot 25x125.
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FOR SALE.

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Lot 25x141, Ridge st., 13th ward; a bargain.
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IN ALLEGHENY—$1,000 DOWN.
Brick dwelling,
8 rooms, attic, bath,
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Large lot;
One-half square from electric cars,
3 minutes' ride from the parks;
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Or in 5 to 10 years.
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Reception Hall;
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Everything first-class and
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Possession given when wanted.
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Bright condition; immediate possession.
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Rich, nearly level land, about 20 miles from Pittsburgh and one mile from large manufacturing town, and 15 minutes from R. R. station, where all trains stop. Will make a fine
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About 80 ft. Front On
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With Fair Improvements.
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FOR SALE—Farm 72 acres, Indiana township, 2 miles from Harmarville, West Penn railroad; two veins coal; low price to quick buyer. Wm. F. Dice and John R. Dice, executors, 913 Main st., Allegheny Pa.

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30 ACRES, WITH DWELLING,
Barn, Orchard, Water, Etc.; near McKeesport.
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Or JOHN C. DEVENNY & CO.,
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AN established Cereal Food Company desires the services of branch office manager; compensation $3,000 per annum; highest references required and given; opportunity of a lifetime for right party. Address Cereal, box 2484, Battle Creek, Mich.

BUSINESS of all kinds sold, partners secured for established business, stock companies organized and industrial enterprises financed; all business strictly confidential.
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BUSINESS CHANCES—Send for list. Estep & Co., 326 Fourth ave.

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32x54 and 28x60 Corliss.
20x24 Automatic.
12 and 21x24 Cross Compound.
24x36 and 12x20 Mackintosh & Hemphill.
BOILERS.
8—60x16 Boilers.
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44"x30", 30"x10" and 16"x10" Lathes.
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1—No. 10 Cameron Pump.
1—7' Steam Crane.
1—22" Vert. Shear, 1—8-in. Horizontal Shear.
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Bell 'phone 1893 Grant. P. & A. 2690 Main.

FOR SALE—Boilers and engines, all sizes, from 3 to 125 H. P., stationary and portable upright boilers and engines; large assortment kept in stock; shafting, pulleys and hangers, and large lot of miscellaneous machinery; second-hand belting, leather and rubber; large stock of all sizes at low prices; machinery of all kinds bought and exchanged.
JOHN S. YOUNG,
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30 1½ yard 2-foot gauge dump cars.
1 Hydraulic Wheel Press Horizontal take-in, 42" Wheel
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Line of new engines and boilers ranging from 4 to 75 horse power.
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Gas and Steam Engines, Boilers, Pumps, Compressors. 303 Frick building.

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20"x36"x36 (150 H. P.), L. H., McIntosh & Seymour.
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20"x20" (250 H. P.), C. C., Greene.
16"x16" (175 H. P.), C. C., Greene.
15½"x15" (175 H. P.), C. C., Armington & Sims.
15"x14" (150 H. P.), C. C., Ideal.
13½"x18½"x15" Cross Compound (250 H. P.), Armington & Sims.
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13"x13" (110 H. P.), C. C., Ball.
12"x14" (100 H. P.), L. H., Russell.
11½"x18½"x13" Upright Cross Compound (175 H. P.), Armington & Sims.
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36"x72" (1,400 H. P.), R. H., Corliss Steam Engine Company.
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Also a complete line of throttling governor engines manufactured by standard engine builders.

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Miscellaneous.

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PERSONAL—Vapor baths. Mrs. Hayden, 20 East Robinson st., Allegheny.

PERSONAL—Baths and massage. Anna Day, 642 Penn ave., ground floor.

PERSONAL—Baths, manicuring. Elsie Mills, 800 Penn ave., second floor.

H. C. KNAPP, commercial job printer, 3521 Butler st. Both telephones.

LOST.

LOST—Lady's gold watch, on Friday evening, between 6 and 7 o'clock, between Horne Stewart's to Sixth ave. and Smithfield or on Monongahela car; word "Laura" engraved on front case and photograph inside. Liberal reward if returned to Horne Stewart's office.

LOST—A gold pin, with amethyst and pearl setting; reward if left at Pittsburgh Bank for Savings, Fourth avenue and Smithfield street, Pittsburgh.

LOST—Setter dog, white with black patches; license No. 123. Reward if returned to Friendship ave., corner Millvale.

FOUND.

FOUND—A sable muff was left in our store last Monday; owner can by calling and proving property, recover same. W. B. Loveless Co.

FOUND—Reliable watch repairing. Cash paid for old gold. Christ Hauch, 541 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

PATENTS.

PATENTS—O. D. Levis; 25 years' attorney, 643 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh.

ELECTION NOTICE.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Pittsburgh Manufacturing Company will be held at the office of the said company, Twenty-eighth and Railroad sts., Pittsburgh, Pa., on Tuesday, January 6, 1903, between the hours of 10 and 11 a. m., for the purpose of electing officers and directors and transacting such other business as may be properly brought before the meeting.
FRANK S. JACKMAN, Secretary.

The Bank of Secured Savings,
1629 Beaver Avenue,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 26, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 1629 Beaver avenue, Allegheny, Pa., on Monday, January 5, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
G. C. GERWIG, Cashier.

Allegheny National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 239 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 and 12 o'clock a. m.
W. MONTGOMERY, Cashier.

Iron City National Bank of Pittsburgh,
No. 232 Fourth ave.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—An election for thirteen directors to serve during the ensuing year will be held at the bank, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 p. m.
CHAS. S. LINDSAY, Cashier.

Third National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 526 and 528 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hour of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
OGDEN RUSSELL, Cashier.

Liberty National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors, to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 6101 Penn ave., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 and 1 o'clock p. m.
H. H. WOODS, Cashier.

Columbia National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
T. A. GRIFFIN, Cashier.

The Peoples National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
NOTICE OF ELECTION—The annual election for directors for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 409 Wood st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 p. m.
ROBERT WARDROP, Cashier.

The First National Bank of Allegheny,
Allegheny Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, 424 Federal st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.
E. R. KRAMER, Cashier.

Tradesmens National Bank,
United States Depository,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
H. M. LANDIS, Cashier.

Commercial National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, Nos. 329 and 331 Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
H. W. BICKEL, Cashier.

Office of the North Side Bridge Company,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 26, 1902.
The annual meeting of stockholders for the election of directors of this company will be held in room No. 52, Safe Deposit and Trust Company building, Fourth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, at 2 o'clock p. m.
GEORGE J. GORMAN, Treasurer.

Ft. Pitt National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
A. W. HERRON, Cashier.

First National Bank of Verona,
Verona, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 3 and 4 p. m.
W. S. BARGAR, Cashier.

ELECTION NOTICE.

Second National Bank of Pittsburgh,
United States Depositary,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12:30 and 1:30 p. m., for the purpose of voting for or against amending Article 3, of the Articles of Association, to read: "The board of directors shall consist of not less than seven, nor more than fifteen stockholders," instead of "not less than seven, nor more than eleven stockholders," and to elect directors for the ensuing year.
THOS. W. WELSH, JR., Cashier.

Office of the National Glass Company,
Eighth street and Penn avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.
NOTICE is hereby given that there will be a special meeting of the stockholders of the National Glass Company held at the principal office of the company, at the corner of Penn avenue and Eighth street, in the city of Pittsburgh, on Monday, the 16th day of February, 1903, at 3 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of giving or withholding consent to a porposition to issue preferred stock in exchange for a portion of the outstanding stock of the company in certain proportions of stock and cash, as may be determined at said meeting.
ADDISON THOMPSON, Secretary.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
245-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Cosmopolitan National Bank,
Wood and Liberty Streets,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Wood and Liberty streets Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
D. J. RICHARDSON, Cashier.

The Safe Deposit and Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
245-247 Fourth avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this company, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company, Nos. 245 and 247 Fourth avenue, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 m.
W. T. HOWE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Pittsburgh National Bank of Commerce,
Corner of Sixth avenue and Wood street,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the purpose of electing directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m., at the banking house, corner Sixth avenue and Wood street.
A. C. KNOX, Cashier.

Duquesne National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Duquesne National Bank to elect ten (10) directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 400 Smithfield st., Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 13th day of January, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock m. and 1 p. m.
A. H. PATTERSON, Cashier.

Citizens Deposit & Trust Co.,
Sharpsburg, Pa., Dec. 24, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual meeting of stockholders for the purpose of electing eleven (11) directors of this company to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the company, Main and N. Main streets, on Thursday, January 8, 1903, between the hours of 2 and 3 o'clock p. m.
CHAS. N. PATTERSON, Secretary.

Monongahela National Bank,
Sixth ave. and Wood st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house, corner of Wood street and Sixth avenue, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN D. FRASER, Cashier.

Western Savings & Deposit Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for eleven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 531 Smithfield st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
CHARLES E. SCHUETZ, Cashier.

Union National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election of directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fourth avenue and Market street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of one (1) and three (3) o'clock p. m.
C. F. DEAN, Cashier.

The Federal National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for 15 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth avenue and Smithfield street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 2 p. m.
G. W. EISENBEIS, Cashier.

Farmers Deposit National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Dec. 11, 1902.
The annual meeting of the shareholders of this bank, to elect directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, No. 220 Fourth avenue, on TUESDAY, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 o'clock noon.
J. W. FLEMING, Cashier.

The Arsenal Bank of Pittsburgh,
4300 Butler st.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 13, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for twelve directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, Forty-third and Butler streets, Wednesday, January 14, 1903, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

Ohio Valley Bank of Allegheny,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 21, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, 638 and 640 Preble ave. on Tuesday, January 20, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
F. B. REYNOLDS, Cashier.

First National Bank of Birmingham,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for seven directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 1201 Carson street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
DANIEL BEECH, Cashier.

The Diamond National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for fourteen directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Fifth ave. and Union st., Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
H. C. WETTENGEL, Cashier.

Exchange National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of the Exchange National Bank of Pittsburgh will be held at the banking house, No. 240 Fifth ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 p. m.
A. LONG, Cashier.

The Lincoln National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for 13 directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 532 Smithfield street, Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m.
W. R. CHRISTIAN, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 noon and 1 o'clock p. m.
W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

The National Bank of Western Pennsylvania,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve during the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn ave. and Ninth st., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
GEORGE S. MACRUM, Cashier.

Office of Real Estate Trust Company,
311 Fourth avenue.
The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of this company will be held Monday, January 5, 1903, at 11:30 a. m., at the office of the company, 311 Fourth avenue, for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.
R. J. DAVIDSON, Secretary.

Metropolitan National Bank,
Forty-third and Butler sts.,
Pittsburgh, December 8, 1902.
The annual election for nine directors to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
GEORGE SEEBICK, Cashier.

Pennsylvania National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 11, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank, to serve for the ensuing year, will be held at the banking house, corner Penn avenue and Butler street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 12 noon.
R. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Workingmans Savings Bank & Trust Co.,
Allegheny, Pa., Dec. 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, corner Ohio st. and Madison ave., on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m.
CHAS. G. WAHL, Asst. Cashier.

Merchants and Manufacturers National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 11 a. m. and 1 p. m.
J. M. RUSSELL, Cashier.

The German National Bank,
Pittsburgh, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for nine directors to serve this bank for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
W. W. RAMSEY, Cashier.

German National Bank,
Allegheny, Pa., December 12, 1902.
ELECTION—The annual election for directors of this bank to serve for the ensuing year will be held at the banking house, No. 709 Ohio street, on Tuesday, January 13, 1903, between the hours of 12 m. and 1 o'clock p. m.
ALBERT HELM, Cashier.

MONEY TO LOAN.

Be Sure To Get
The Lowest Rate
In borrowing money as in all other transactions it's better to deal with a house of established reputation. We do not hesitate to announce that our rate is 6 per cent on all loans, large or small. Because we know that is the lowest rate charged in Allegheny county. We accept as security watches, diamonds, jewelry, furs, clothing or any article of value. All business private and confidential.
Six Per Cent.
Market Street Loan Office,
214 Market Street,
Near Third Avenue.
CAPITAL $250,000.00.

HERE IT IS.
Salary loans, furniture loans. Give us a call before going elsewhere. Our rates are the lowest.
PITTSBURGH CREDIT CO.,
236 Fourth ave., room 601 Times building.

AT THE
Old Reliable Loan Office
DIRECTLY OPPOSITE POSTOFFICE.
You get the lowest rate.
You get the fairest treatment.
You know the transaction is confidential.
You deal with a firm estab. 42 years.
You come to a jeweler; no pawnbrokers' signs.
JOS. DE ROY & SONS,
307 Smithfield st.
Our rate positively lower than the lowest.

MONEY TO LOAN—In sums to suit on household furniture, pianos, etc., without removal; also on good collateral security; easy payments; confidential.
J. Q. H. SMITH, 413 Fourth ave.

MONEY LOANED.
Salaried people holding permanent positions; reasonable rates; strictly confidential.
O'Donnell & Co., Room 414, 347 Fourth ave.

SALARY LOANS ON PERSONAL NOTES.
Penn Trust Co.,
Room 17—301 Smithfield st.—Room 17,
Marine Nat. Bk. Bldg. 'Phone, P. & A., 1170 M.

Mortgage Loans.

MORTGAGE LOANS
At 4 per cent to 6 per cent on first mortgages, city and suburban properties.
JAS. W. DRAPE & CO.,
425 Fourth ave.

MONEY to Loan on mortgages and collateral securities. The Public Trust Co., 236 4th ave.

MONEY to Loan from $100 up; bring deed; no delay. Real Estate Mortgage Co., 12 Federal st.

DIVIDENDS.

Pennsylvania Trust Company of Pittsburgh,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24, 1902.
DIVIDEND—The board of directors have declared a dividend of ONE AND ONE-HALF (1½) PER CENT, payable out of the earnings of the past three months, to stockholders of record December 25. The books will remain closed until January 1.
W. C. LOWRIE, Secretary.

Excelsior Express and Standard Cab Co.,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Dec. 24, 1902.
DIVIDEND—The directors of this company have this day declared a dividend of THREE (3) PER CENT, payable on and after January 2, 1903, to stockholders of record December 24, 1902. Checks will be mailed.
JOSEPH FORD, Sec'y and Treas.

The Arsenal Bank,
Pittsburgh, December 22, 1902.
DIVIDEND—The directors of this bank have this day declared a dividend of Five (5) per centum on the capital stock out of the earnings of the last six months, payable January 2, 1903, to stockholders of record December 31, 1902.
JOHN GRINE, Cashier.

PROPOSALS.

SEALED proposals will be received by the board of managers of the Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory, located at Huntingdon, Pa., and awarded on the second Friday of January, April, July and October of 1903, for the furnishing of supplies of various kinds for a period of three months from the 15th day of the month named, said supplies consisting in the main of flour and feed, coal, groceries, provisions, dried and salt meats, etc., etc.

Proposals are also asked for from time to time during the year for such quantities of dry-goods, notions, leather, oils, soaps, etc., as may be necessary.

Any desired information will be furnished and an opportunity to bid on same will be given any parties who make request to be furnished therewith.

The managers reserve the right to reject any or all bids offered. Full information as to articles needed, probable quantities and the necessary blanks for bidding will be furnished on application to T. B. Patton, General Superintendent, Huntingdon, Pa.

DISSOLUTION NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION NOTICE.
NOTICE is hereby given that the partnership heretofore existing between Frederick J. Dodsworth, Francis J. Clifton and George P. Solzmann, steel and copper plate engravers and printers, 352 Fifth avenue, under the firm name of Dodsworth, Clifton & Co., has this day been dissolved by mutual consent and the business will be continued by Frederick J. Dodsworth, George J. Selzmann and George H. Hamlin, under the firm name of Dodsworth, Solzmann & Hamlin, at the above address. Frederick J. Dodsworth, Francis J. Clifton, George J. Solzmann.

DANCING ACADEMIES.

M'DOUGALL'S DANCING ACADEMY, 4909 Butler st., Pittsburgh; 25 Federal st., Allegheny. Ten lessons $3. Every afternoon and evening.

JAMES P. BROOKS' DANCING ACADEMY, 1010 Penn ave.—Advanced class Thursdays; beginners' classes Monday and Friday evenings.

M'DOUGALL Cyclorama Dances—Every Tuesday; opening January 20. Cyclorama improved throughout; new hardwood dancing floor.

BRAUN'S Dancing Academy; 10 lessons, three dollars. Sixth and Liberty sts. Austin McFadden, owner.

MEETINGS.

December 24, 1902.
MEETING—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Odd Fellows' Fund association of Temperanceville, will be held on Monday, January 5, 1903, at seven (7) o'clock p. m., in the committee room of the association's building, corner Steuben street and Wabash street, West End, Pittsburgh. The annual statement of the business of the association for the year 1902 will be read and a board will be elected to serve for the ensuing year.
JOHN L. RALPH,
Secretary of the Board of Trustees.

AUCTION SALES.

THERE will be exposed to sale at public auction at West Elizabeth station, Allegheny county, Pa., on line of Monongahela division Pennsylvania railroad, 22 1-10 miles from Pittsburgh, on Saturday, January 10, 1903, 30,000 pounds, more or less, of copper residue shipped from Piers 4 and 5, New York, December 14, 1901, consigned to C. G. Hussey & Co., and to be sold for account of freight charges and expenses. A. G. Mitchell, Superintendent Monongahela division Pennsylvania railroad.

DETECTIVE AGENCIES.

M'SWEENEY'S Interstate Detective Agency, 425 Diamond st., Pittsburgh, Pa.; transacts a general detective business; all communications strictly confidential.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE is hereby given that an application will be made to the governor of Pennsylvania on Wednesday, January 14, 1903, by Robert McWhinney, J. B. Coen, M. H. West, L. L. Davis and F. J. Erbeck, under act of assembly, entitled "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 29, 1874, and the amendments or supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation, to be called Mifflin Light & Power Company, the character and object of which is for the purpose of supplying light, heat and power, by means of electricity, to the public, within a district in the county of Allegheny, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded on the north and east by the Monongahela river, on the south by the township of Jefferson, and on the west by the township of Baldwin, and to such persons, partnerships and corporations residing in said district, or adjacent thereto, as may desire the same, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said act of assembly, and the amendments or supplements thereto. L. L. Davis, Solicitor.

IN the Orphans court of Allegheny county. In the matter of the estate of William R. Brown, late of Idlewood, Chartiers township, in said county. Notice is hereby given that Elizabeth D. Brown has made application to the register of wills for said county for letters of administration upon the estate of the said William R. Brown, who is alleged to have been absent and unheard of for more than seven years last past, and who is believed to be dead; that the said register has certified said application to the Orphans' court of said county, and that on Monday, the twenty-sixth (26th) day of January, 1903, in the Orphans' court of said county, the said court will hear evidence concerning the alleged absence of the said supposed decedent, and the circumstances and duration thereof. This notice is published by order of said court. Fred W. Edwards, Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

CHARLES W. DAHLINGER, Attorney-at-Law, No. 518 Fourth avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Adam Frey, deceased, late of Allegheny county, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay. Charles Schneider, Administrator, No. 420 Federal street, Allegheny, Pa.

NOTICE is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Nancy G. Willis, deceased, late of Allegheny county, have been granted to the undersigned, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands against the same will make them known without delay. Mary S. Willis, Administratrix, 1217 Federal st., Allegheny, Pa.

EASTERN STOCKS CLOSED BUOYANT

Prices Advanced in the Face of a 12 Per Cent Call Loan Rate--Dividends on Philadelphia Company Underlying Stocks.

By JOHN O. BAGLIN, Financial Editor.

The buoyancy displayed in Wall street late yesterday was a surprise to the majority of traders. As usual after a holiday, the stock market opened in a listless sort of way, and as London remained closed, there was nothing from abroad to give a cue to speculators. The rate on call loans opened at 8 per cent and almost immediately advanced to 12 per cent, at which considerable amounts were loaned. There was also a report that the attitude of the administration on the Venezuelan matter was unsatisfactory to Germany, and in addition to this treasury officials were quoted on the money outlook, one expressing the opinion that large sums would be shipped to the Pacific coast in January, and another that nothing could be expected from this session of congress on the currency question. Professional traders were bearish, but they did not receive any support, and while prices receded in the early dealings, the offerings of stock were not large—speculation simply became stagnant. In the afternoon the call loan rate eased off a little and such stocks as St. Paul, the Eries, New York Central, Peoples Gas, Rock Island, Union Pacific, Sugar, Amalgamated Copper and the Steel stocks became more active and strong. During the first two hours the transactions were a little in excess of 200,000 shares. During the three remaining hours of the session the total exceeded 400,000 shares. Commission houses were moderate buyers, and the shorts became somewhat anxious as the day wore along. Their operations contributed to the late advance. The market closed firm and in many instances at the top. The formal statement of Mr. Frick, that no vacancy existed in the executive department of the United States Steel Corporation; that he had not been tendered and would not accept the presidency of the company, and that he is a thorough believer in the intrinsic value of the property had a good effect upon the market for the stock, which advanced about a point.

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The preliminary estimates of the movement of money during the week do not furnish any guide to today's bank statement. One agency estimated a net loss to the banks of $170,000, while another figured a net gain of $300,700. Another small shipment of currency was made to New Orleans, and Treasurer Roberts stated that from the inquiries received at his department he estimated that $5,000,000 currency would be shipped to the Pacific coast and to the south within the next ten days. A year ago the bank statement showed a gain in actual cash of $3,000,000 and a small increase in loans. Two years ago, despite an increase of more than $9,000,000 in loans, the banks gained $5,800,000 in cash, and they continued to gain in reserve throughout the month of January.

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It was learned yesterday that the Consolidated Traction Company had declared the deferred dividends, amounting to 6 per cent, or $3 a share, on the preferred stock, payable January 10. Consolidated Traction preferred is a 6 per cent cumulative dividend stock, and entitled to share equally in any increased dividends when the common stock receives 6 per cent. While the company was operated independently no dividend was declared on the common stock, and the year's back dividend on the preferred stock was not paid. Last week the announcement was made that the company had declared an initial semi-annual dividend of 1 per cent on the common stock, payable January 2, some of the outside holders of the preferred inquired about the back dividend on their stock. According to current gossip the directors had overlooked the matter, and when the outsiders threatened to take legal preceedings to restrain the payment of the dividend on the common stock until all that was coming to the preferred was paid, the year's deferred dividend on the latter was declared.

The Philadelphia Company assumed control of the traction properties at the beginning of the present year. At that date a considerable amount of both common and preferred Consolidated Traction refused to assent to the terms of the merger. It will be recalled that Consolidated Traction common, par value $50 a share, received $25 a share payable in Philadelphia Company common stock. Consolidated Traction preferred received 100 per cent in Philadelphia Company 5 per cent bonds, 15 per cent in Philadelphia Company preferred and 5 per cent Philadelphia Company common stocks. Two months ago the unassenting stock amounted to 7,305 shares Traction preferred and 15,751 shares of common, of which latter, it is understood, 12,500 shares are tied up by litigation.

Another of the heretofore unprofitable assets of the Philadelphia Company has also just entered the dividend list, an initial dividend of ½ of 1 per cent having been declared on the $17,000,000 United Traction common stock, amounting to $85,000, which will be transferred to Philadelphia Company's income account on January 2, the combination holding all but 134 shares of the stock in its treasury. Among the assets upon which no dividends are paid is the $4,000,000 Consolidated Gas common, which was received in exchange for Philadelphia Company stock on a basis of 80 per cent, or $40 a share for Consolidated Gas common.

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On the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday trading was light and prices were irregular. United States Steel stocks were strong and higher, closing at net gains of 1@1⅝ per cent. Crucible Steel common sold to the extent of only 50 shares, and was unchanged at 19, while the preferred was a little firmer at 83¾@84. Pressed Steel Car common sold at 60⅝, an advance of ⅝ over the last previous sale. The coal stocks were extremely dull and only fractionally changed. Philadelphia Company common sold at 45¼@45½ for odd lots, and advanced to 45¾ bid at the close. The preferred was offered at 49. National Fire Proofing was a little firmer, the preferred selling at 36¾. The Westinghouse stocks were dull but firm, Airbrake selling at 176½. Electric first preferred at 100, and the second preferred closing at 98½ bid. A small lot of Window Glass sold at 51, a decline of ½, but recovered to 51¼ bid at the close. Pittsburgh Plate Glass sold at 135½. The first transactions in subscription rights for Fidelity Title and Trust occurred yesterday, sales being made at $50 a share. There was nothing doing in bonds and prices were nominally unchanged.

PITTSBURGH STOCKS.

Transactions on the Pittsburgh stock exchange yesterday aggregated 2,268 shares stock and 75 1-3 subscription rights. Sales:

10 to 10:30 a. m.

5 Riv. Coal pfd	40¼	25 Fireproof. com	25⅛
6 Pgh. Coal pfd	87	50 U. S. S. com	35
15 do	86⅞	12 Fireproof. pfd	36¾
100 Copper	60	25 Pgh. Coal com	28⅛
10 Electric 2ds	97½		

10:30 a. m. to 12:30 p. m.

10 Phila. com	45¼	10 W. Airbrake	176½
10 do	45½	100 Fireproof. pfd	36⅝
50 Crucible com	19	15 Electric 2ds	98
30 Pgh. Coal pfd	86¾	10 Electric 1sts	100
20 do	86¾	100 Brewing com	29¾
1 do	87	50 do	29⅞
50 do	86¾	10 M. & M. N. B.	136
20 Crucible pfd	83⅛	100 P. S. Car com	60⅝
25-50-25 do	84	3 Riv. Coal pfd	40⅝
50 do	83⅞		

12:30 to 2 p. m.

10 Pgh. Coal pfd	86¾	20 Crucible pfd	83⅞
10-10 do	86⅝	30 do	83⅞
100 U. S. S. com	35	10 do	84
10 do	34⅞	30 Electric 2ds	97¾
50-50 do	35¼	25 Riv. Coal pfd	40⅝
50 do	35½	20 W. Glass com	51

2 to 3 p. m.

50 U. S. S. com	35½	50 U. S. S. pfd	85
100 do	35½	50 Brewing com	29⅞
100-100 do	35⅝	50 Crucible pfd	83¾
100 Fireproof. pfd	36⅝	20-30-70 do	83¾
50 do	36⅝	50 P. P. Glass	135½
25 Pgh. Coal com	28¼	10 Fireproof. com	25½

Rights.

20 Fid. T. & T.	50	1-3 S. U. Cable	120
5-50 do	50		

Summary.

Sales	SHARES.	High.	Low.	Last Sale.	C'ge.
100	Amal. Copper	60	60	60	+4⅜
200	Brewing com	29⅞	29⅝	29⅞	0
50	Crucible Steel	19	19	19	0
400	Do preferred	84	83¾	83¾	—⅛
35	Fire Proofing	25½	25½	25½	0
262	Do preferred	36¾	36⅝	36⅝	+⅛
20	Phila. Co. com	45½	45¼	45½	+½
50	Pgh. Coal	28¼	28⅛	28¼	—⅛
153	Do preferred	*87	86¾	86¾	—⅛
50	Pgh. Pl. Glass	135½	135½	135½	—1
100	P. S. Car com	60⅝	60⅝	60⅝	+⅝
33	River Coal pfd	*40¾	*40¼	40⅝	+⅛
600	U. S. Steel	35⅝	34⅞	35⅝	+1⅝
50	Do preferred	85	85	85	+1
10	West. Airbrake	176½	176½	176½	+⅛
10	W. Elec. 1sts	100	100	100	0
55	Do 2ds	98	97½	97¾	+¼
20	W. Glass com	51	51	51	—½
10	M. & M. N. B	136	136	136	+3½
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	RIGHTS.				
75	Fid. Title & Tr	50	50	50	....
1-3	S. U. Cable	120	120	120	0

*Less than 10 shares.

Closing Bids and Offers.

STOCKS.	Bid.	Ask.	STOCKS.	Bid.	Ask.
Pgh. Bks.			D.S.F. & T.	285	300
City Dep.	200	....	Enterprise	....	125
G. S. & D.	265	....	Nat. Gas.		
Manufact.	120	....	M. L. & H.	....	90
Mon. Nat.	298	300	Electric.		
N.B. W.Pa.	....	200	West. 1st	100	....
W. S. & D.	117½	120	Do 2d pfd	98½	99
Fed. Nat.	148	148¼	Miscel.		
Trust Cos.			Crucible	18⅞	19
American	146	148½	Do pfd	83¾	84
Pa. Trust	....	290	Marsden	4	4⅝
Pgh. Trust	....	850	N. F. Proof	25½	26
Real Estate	280	285	Do pfd	36½	36¾
S. D. & T.	116	118	Phila. Co.	45¾	....
Comwlth.	229	235	Do pfd	....	49
Ally. Bks.					
Ally. Trust	151	....			

UNLISTED SECURITIES.

STOCKS.			P. Coal pfd.	86⅝	86⅞
Miscel.			P. P. Glass	135	....
A. W. Glass	51¼	51⅝	P. S. & R.	3	4½
Do pfd	....	88	Do pfd	17½	18½
Con. Ice	10½	....	U. S. Steel	35½	35⅝
Do pfd	37	....	Do pfd	....	85
Riv. Coal	9⅞	10¼	BONDS.		
Do pfd	40¼	40½	Miscel.		
Pgh. Brew.	29¾	29⅞	M. R. C. 6s	....	113¾
Do pfd	45⅝	46	P. Brew. 6s	....	113½
Pgh. Coal	28⅛	28¼	P.S. & L.E.5	....	120½

NOTES AND COMMENT.

Western Savings & Deposit bank advanced to 117½ bid, 120 asked. The rise was based upon the action of the directors in declaring a quarterly dividend of 2 per cent, which is an increase of ½ per cent over the previous dividend paid.

Master & Co. sold 100 shares Calumet & Arizona Mining at 90. Sproul & Co. bought.

Wasserman was the largest buyer of Erie yesterday. Wagers were made on the eastern board that the road would earn $10,000,000 more in 1903 than it earned during the past year.

The Philadelphia stock exchange will hold no session today, having adjourned to permit of removing to its new quarters.

Flower & Co. were credited with the bulk of the buying in Peoples Gas, which was one of the strong features of the eastern market yesterday.

The American Lumber & Manufacturing Company paid an extra Christmas dividend of 5 per cent, making 13 per cent paid for the year on its $200,000 capital.

McElroy & Boyle were the buyers and Carothers & Co. and Preston, Watt & Schoyer were the sellers of Fidelity Title & Trust Company rights at $50 a share. The right to subscribe for the new stock at $400 a share expires at noon today, and the first payment of 10 per cent on account of subscriptions is payable on the 31st inst.

Peoples Trust was quoted at 110@112; North American Savings at 130 asked, and German American Savings & Trust at 165 asked.

The Pennsylvania Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable January 1 to stock of record December 25.

A Washington dispatch quoted Treasurer Roberts as saying he has received several communications regarding large transfers of money to San Francisco in the near future, but he has replied that the department will consider only definite applications. He expects the total movement of money west and south in the next 10 days will be $5,000,000.

The Allegheny Trust Company has declared a quarterly dividend of 1½ per cent, payable January 2 to stock of record December 27.

The declaration of the regular 1¾ per cent dividend for the quarter by Lackawanna directors was taken as a favorable indication in connection with the anthracite stocks.

A prominent Wall street commission house wired this opinion after the close of the market: "There is enough money for those who are properly circumstanced and who offer the proper kind of collateral acceptable to the bank. It is not likely that we shall have lower rates than 6 per cent for some time to come, but at that figure we do not anticipate any distress. That good parties are buying stocks we think is a just inference from the course of prices as shown during the last two or three days. The low figures recorded some time ago have tempted into this market a class of people who are willing to buy moderately and await developments. The stocks thus absorbed have made the way more open to the advance of Wednesday and today, and will leave, we think, the field clear for a good improvement in the coming month."

It is estimated that about $2,000,000 call money loaned in Wall street yesterday at 12 per cent, the top rate for the day. There was a report that none of the $50,000,000 emergency pool money would be loaned below 20 per cent, but borrowers did not believe the market would reach that figure.

The gross earnings of the Detroit United railway for the third week in December increased $4,833.

The United States Shipbuilding Company has filed with the New York stock exchange, with its application to list its securities, a statement of its earnings for the quarter ending November 30, 1902, being the first three months of its business. It shows the following: Net earnings, $1,163,022. Deduct reserves on estimated profits on contract work in shipbuilding construction, $74,138; accrued interest and sinking fund payment on all United States Shipbuilding Company's bonds for quarter, $391,667. Surplus net earnings, $697,217. Statement includes Bethlehem Steel Company earnings. The surplus net earnings of $697,217 for the first quarter are equivalent to a basis of 6 per cent on the preferred and about 7 per cent on the common stock, after paying and providing for all interest charges of every kind, including all interest charges on account of the underlying mortgage obligations of the Bethlehem Steel Company. It is said that the company has increased its contracts since its organiation and now has unfinished work under contract aggregating over $51,000,000.

The J. B. Stetson Company has declared a dividend of 12 per cent on the common stock, making 17 per cent for the year, 5 per cent having been declared last July. The regular semi-annual dividend of 4 per cent on the preferred has also been declared. Both dividends are payable January 15.

In response to an inquiry regarding the efficiency of bank examinations, Comptroller Ridgely replies to the Boston News bureau: "The latitude of bank directors in estimating the value of loans is as wide as the difference in judgment as the worth of such paper, and they have a right under the law to exercise their judgment in declaring dividends subject only to the restriction prohibiting payment if losses have been sustained or bad debts contracted equal to or exceeding undivided profits on hand. In such case a dividend cannot be declared without violation of law, and every director who participates in or assents to any violation of law is liable in his personal and individual capacity for all damages to the bank, its shareholders, or any other person as a result thereof. It is difficult to estimate with accuracy the exact value of the assets of a bank and this is true with respect to insolvent associations as well as of active banks. I am unable to advise how the ordinary reader is to determine the solidity of a bank from its published report of condition except by a careful analysis of the figures shown in the report. It is impossible to determine the exact condition of a bank without an examination of its loans and discounts and its other securities. This information is communicated to the comptroller only through the reports of bank examiners."

FEATURES OF THE DAY

IN PITTSBURGH.

Stock market very dull, sales only 2,268 shares.

Bank exchanges increased $800,000 for the day.

Initial dividend declared on United Traction common stock.

Outside stockholders of Consolidated Traction preferred to receive deferred dividend.

United States Steel and the Westinghouse stocks strongest in yesterday's market.

IN WALL STREET.

Total sales for the day 695,700 shares.

Buoyant tone of market is surprising and unexplained.

Money touches 15 per cent, but closes at 8.

Western contingent is in market booming their specialties.

Bonds steady; total sales (par value) $2,200,000.

THE MONEY MARKET.

The local money market is dull but firm at 6 per cent on call and time loans. Clearing house comparisons:

	Exchanges.	Balances.
Friday	$7,714,311 10	$ 772,213 45
Last week	7,748,549 60	903,933 96
Last year	6,878,107 64	1,323,195 59

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Exchanges, $284,206,430; balances, $9,809,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $22,275,289; balances, $3,212,357; money, 6 per cent.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $4,662,560; balances, $841,268; money, 6 per cent.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $30,579,687; balances, $2,215,750; posted exchange, $4 84@4 87½; New York exchange, 20@25c premium.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—Money, 6 per cent; New York exchange, 40c bid, no sales; clearings, $3,981,250.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—Clearings, $9,113,532; balances, $713,889; money steady at 5@6 per cent; New York exchange, 30c premium.

Treasury Statement.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—Today's statement of the treasury balance in the general fund, exclusive of the $150,000,000 gold reserve in the division of redemption, shows: Available cash balances, $210,977,663; gold, $120,586,159; silver, $6,125,077; United States notes, $2,784,585; treasury notes of 1890, $91,651; national bank notes, $15,463,679; total receipts this day, $2,612,066; total receipts this month, $41,417,684; total receipts this year, $282,899,833; total expenditures this day, $1,235,000; total expenditures this month, $33,210,000; total expenditures this year, $260,576,227; deposits in national banks, $150,583,633.

Foreign Quotations.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—Gold premiums, Buenos Ayres, 127.40; Madrid, 34.85; Lisbon, 25.50.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—Three per cent rentes, 99 francs 55 centimes for the account; exchange on London, 25 francs 14½ centimes for checks.

TRADING IS ACTIVE WITH STOCK BROKERS

Call Money Takes Sudden Run Up, but Later Drops Back.

[By Associated Press to The Gazette.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The activity of the buoyant tone developed in the stock market today came as something of a surprise. The market started off in as dull and listless a manner as possible. It was taken as a matter of course that the remnant of the week would be idly spent in Wall street, as many brokers left town on Wednesday evening to be gone until Monday morning. The grounds of the animation in the stock market were not entirely plain. The early stages of the movement were congested in a few stocks and the principal buying in these shares was by brokers often employed by large and well-known speculative interests, including the so-called western contingent. This was notably true of the buying of Erie, which was continued up to the close of the market, sustaining the general list by sympathy. The ground of the buying was not stated, but claims were circulated of large earnings in prospect. Other stocks were strong on individual causes.

Rumors persisted of a "melon cutting" for Great Northern stockholders; a Montana judicial decision in a copper case gave rise to the usual claims of advantage by both contending factions, and St. Paul's rise was accompanied by renewed claims that early action was to be taken on the new stock authorized. St. Paul ran off sharply at the close when the directors had adjourned their regular monthly meeting without action. The movement in Peoples Gas was attributed to the reports that American gas magnates are to embark in the Paris field. The upward movement became too general, however, to be attributed to a merely sympathetic effect from the strength of individual stocks. Low priced stocks came into special favor and many of them were taken up successively and sharply advanced.

The announcement that President Roosevelt had decided not to undertake the arbitration of the Venezuelan dispute had a reassuring effect as it was felt to eliminate some risks of complications.

Confident estimates show that probably $132,000,000 will be disbursed during January in the New York market. Preliminary estimates of the week's currency movement only extend to Wednesday evening, but the return of flow of Christmas funds into the deposits of the banks is expected to make a notable impression upon reserves, as the Christmas retail trade has been of almost unprecedented proportions. The market closer firm and active.

There was some investment demand manifest for bonds, especially among some of the well-secured issues. Total sales, par value, $2,200,000. United States 2s and new 4s advanced ¼ and the 3s coupon ½ per cent on the last call.

Money on Call 8 Per Cent.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Money on call firm at 6@15 per cent; closing offered at 8 per cent. Time money firm; 60 and 90 days, 6 per cent; six months, 5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4 86.45@4 86.80 for demand and at $4 83.75 for 60 days. Posted rates, $4 84@4 87½. Commercial bills, $4 82@4 83. Bar silver, 47⅛c. Mexican dollars, 38c.

Bank of France Statement.

PARIS, Dec. 26.—The weekly statement of the Bank of France shows the following changes: Notes in circulation increased, 23,675,00 francs; treasury accounts current increased, 2,425,000 francs; gold in hand increased, 350,000 francs; bills discounted decreased, 4,700,000 francs; silver in hand decreased, 900,000 francs.

NEW YORK PRICES.

Daily range of prices as reported by Messrs. Henry Sproul & Co., Peoples Savings bank building. Members of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago stock exchanges and Chicago board of trade.

Sales.	STOCKS.	Open	High	Low	Close
18500	A., T. & S. F.	82½	84	82⅝	83⅝
2800	Do preferred	99	99½	99	99½
	Am. Cotton Oil	44	44	44	44
	Do preferred	....	....	....	96
25200	Am. Sugar Ref.	129	130	128	129¼
	Do preferred	120	120	120	119
3600	Am. Locomotive	28	28¾	28	28¾
400	Do preferred	95¼	95½	94¾	95
400	Am. Car Foundry	34¾	34¾	34¾	34¾
400	Do preferred	89	90	89	90
	American Can	....	....	....	10
	Do preferred	....	....	....	46
27500	Amal. Copper	59	60¼	58⅝	59⅝
200	Anaconda Cop.	90	90	90	90
500	A. Smelt. & Ref.	40½	41⅜	40½	41
4200	Do preferred	90½	91	90½	91
	American Ice	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾
	Do preferred	39⅝	39⅝	39⅝	39½
15100	Balt. & Ohio	97⅝	99½	97⅝	99½
	Do preferred	....	....	....	93
53700	Brooklyn R. T.	69	69⅝	68	68¾
18900	Canadian Pacific	130¼	132¼	130	131⅛
6700	Chicago Gt. W.	24¾	25¼	24½	25
1300	Consolidated Gas	210½	212½	210½	211
200	C., C., C. & S. L.	95⅞	95⅞	95⅞	95
2400	Ches. & Ohio	46⅞	47½	46¾	47⅝
1900	Chicago & Alton	32¼	33⅞	32¼	33⅞
200	Do preferred	70⅝	71	70⅝	70¾
400	Chicago & N'w	216	217	216	216½
1300	Col. F. & I.	80	80¾	80	80¾
	Corn Product	30	30½	30	30¼
	*Do preferred	....	....	....	81
1000	Col. Southern	27¾	28	27	27¾
	Do 1st pfd	....	....	....	69½
300	Do 2d pfd	43	44	43	43½
500	D., L. & W.	251	253	251	253
1300	Del. & Hudson	164¾	167	164¾	166
82900	Erie	34⅝	36½	34½	36⅝
800	Do 1st pfd	65	66¾	65	66¾
2800	Do 2d pfd	46½	49	46½	49
500	General Electric	176	178	176	178
200	Hocking Valley	97	97½	97	97
700	Do preferred	96	96¼	96	96
4100	Illinois Central	144½	145¾	144	145
600	Iowa Central	38	39	38	39
800	Do preferred	69	70½	69	69¾
300	Internat. Paper	18¼	18¼	18	18¼
	Do preferred	....	....	....	70
300	Internat. Power	58	58	58	58
	L. E. & W.	....	....	....	46
	Do preferred	....	....	....	115
6100	Louis. & Nash	124	125⅝	124	125¾
4300	Manhattan	147	147¼	146½	147
29100	Missouri Pacific	106	107⅞	105⅜	107½
500	M., K. & T. pfd	55½	56¼	55½	56½
3300	Metropolitan	138½	140½	138½	139⅛
1300	Mexican Central	22½	22⅝	22½	22¾
300	National Lead	26¾	26¾	26¾	26¾
	Do preferred	....	....	....	92
	*National Biscuit	....	....	....	44¼
	Do preferred	103	103	103	102
6000	N. Y. Central	151⅛	152½	150⅝	151⅞
100	N. J. Central	173	173	173	170
8200	N. Y., O. & W.	30⅛	31	29⅞	31
6900	Norfolk & West.	71	72⅝	70⅝	72⅛
500	Do preferred	92	92	92	91½
2000	N. American Co.	115	119	115	118
	Omaha	....	....	....	150
32300	Peoples Gas	101⅞	104¼	101¾	104⅛
500	Pacific Mail	39	39½	39	39¼
400	Pullman	228¼	230	228¼	228
1800	Pressed S. Car	60½	60⅞	60¼	60½
200	Do preferred	92¾	92¾	92½	92
12700	Penna. R. R.	154⅝	155½	153¾	155⅝
	P., C., C. & St. L	....	....	....	92½
	Do preferred	....	....	....	101
	Railway Springs	34¼	34¼	34¼	34¼
	Do preferred	86½	86½	86½	86
51700	Reading	64⅛	65½	63⅝	65¾
300	Do 1st pfd	86½	86½	86½	86½
	Do 2nd pfd	....	....	....	77½
44900	Rock Island	43¾	46¼	43½	46⅜
13100	Do preferred	82½	83¾	82½	83⅜
500	Republic Iron	19½	19¾	19½	19½
800	Do preferred	76½	76⅝	76½	76¼
500	St. L. & S. F.	71¼	72½	71¼	72¾
100	Do 1st pfd	82	82	82	80¼
	Do 2nd pfd	69⅛	71	69⅛	70⅜
33100	South. Pacific	63⅝	64¾	63	64⅝
11100	South. Railway	32⅝	33⅜	32½	33¼
100	Do preferred	....	....	....	92
49300	St. Paul	176	179	176	178¼
	Do preferred	....	....	....	192
	St. L. & S'wn	26½	27⅛	26½	27
1100	Do preferred	60	62	60	61
1100	Tenn. C. & Iron	57	58	56⅞	57⅞
2800	Texas & Pacific	39⅞	40½	39½	40
800	T., St. L. & W.	26¾	27¾	26¾	27½
100	Do preferred	....	....	....	45¾
13200	U. S. Steel	35	35⅝	34⅞	35½
6700	Do preferred	84¼	85⅛	84⅛	84⅞
31500	Union Pacific	99	100	98¼	99⅞
300	Do preferred	93	93	93	93
	U. S. Rubber	....	....	....	15½
2400	U. S. Leather	11¾	12¼	11⅝	12¼
200	Do preferred	88½	88⅜	88⅜	88½
	U. S. R. & Cons.	23½	24¼	23½	24¼
	Do preferred	69½	70	69½	69¾
1600	Wabash	28¾	29¼	28½	28¾
2200	Do preferred	42	43½	42	43⅛
920	W. U. Tele	87⅞	89	87⅞	88¼
400	W. & L. E.	24⅛	24⅜	24⅛	24
	Do 1st pfd	52	54	52	54
500	Do 2nd pfd	33	33⅝	33	33¼
1300	Wis. Central	26	26½	25½	25¾
1700	Do preferred	51¾	52⅝	51½	52½

695700 total sales for day. *Ex-dividend.

Supplementary New York Stocks.

(By Private Wire to The Gazette.)

Sales.	STOCKS.	High.	Low.	Close.
100	American Bicycle	⅝	⅝	⅝

Sales.	STOCKS.	High.	Low.	Close.
200	Amer. Grass Twine	29¼	29½	29½
1400	Chicago Ter. Traction	17⅝	16¾	17⅝
1200	Do preferred	33	33	33
300	Den. & Rio Grande	40	39¼	40
200	Do preferred	89½	89½	89½
700	Det. Sou. Railway	18	17	18
500	General Electric	178	176	178
400	International Paper	18¼	18	18¼
300	K. C. Sou.	32½	32¼	32½
800	M., St. P. & S. S. M.	75	74	75
500	Nat. Railroad of Mex.	17	16⅝	17
100	Do preferred	34½	34½	34½
100	Peoria & Eastern	38	38	38
100	Rubber Goods	21½	21½	21½
200	St. J. & G. I.	13	10	10
200	Sloss	57½	56¾	57¼
100	Twin City	115½	115½	115½
100	Int. Railway Inv.	20½	20½	20½
300	Do preferred	62½	62½	62½
3200	U. S. R. & Con.	24¼	23½	24⅛
800	Va. Car. Chem.	61½	60	61¼

NEW YORK BONDS.

U. S. ref. 2s, reg.	108	L. & N. unified 4s	101
Do coupon	108	Mexican Cent 4s	78
Do 3s, reg.	107½	Do 1st inc	24
Do coupon	108	M. & St. L. 4s	102⅛
Do new 4s, reg.	135½	M., K. & T. 2ds	82
Do coupon	135⅜	N. Y. C. 1sts	102½
Do old 4s, reg.	109	Do gen. 3½s	104
Do coupon	110	N. J. C. gen. 5s	135⅛
Do 5s, reg.	103⅜	North Pac. 4s	103⅜
Do coupon	103⅜	Do 3s	72½
Atch. gen. 4s	102	N. & W. con. 4s	99⅝
Do adj. 4s	90½	Reading gen. 4s	97
B. & O. 4s	102½	St. L. & I. M. c. 5s	115⅝
Do 3½s	94⅝	St. L. & S. F. 4s	97
Do conv. 4s	104⅝	St. L. South. 1sts	95
Canada So 2ds	108	Do 2ds	85⅝
Cent. of Ga. 5s	106	S. A. & A. P. 4s	86½
Do 1st inc	76½	South. Pac. 4s	90⅝
C. & O. 4½s	103¼	South. Ry. 5s	120
C. & A. 3½s	80	Tex. & Pac. 1sts	116
C., B. & Q. n 4s	96¼	T., St. L. & W. 4s	75½
C., M. & S. P. g. 4s	113	Union Pacific 4s	104½
C. & N. con 7s	133½	Do conv 4s	105⅝
C. C. C. & S. L. g. 4s	98¾	Wabash 1sts	116¼
Chicago Ter. 4s	86	Do 2ds	108
Col. & South. 4s	92	Do Deb. B	76
D. & R. G. 4s	101¼	West Shore 4s	112⅝
Erie prior lien 4s	99	W. & L. E. 4s	91
Do gen. 4s	86	Wis. Cent. 4s	92⅝
Ft. W. & D. C. 1st	109½	Con. Tobacco	65½
Hock. Val. 4½s	109		

New York "Curb" Stocks.

(Reported by Henry Sproul & Co.)

American Can	10	International Salt	9½
Do preferred	46	New Am. Gas 5s	108½
Amer. Ele. R. R.	¾	North. Securities	111
Bay State Gas	1⅜	N. Y. Elec. V. T.	9½
Brit. Colum. Cop.	5¾	Otis Elevator	40¾
Brook. Ferry Co.	8	*Do preferred	97
Electric Boat Co.	20	Rey. B. Pow. pfd.	161
Do preferred	37	Seaboard Air Line	25⅝
Electric Vehicle	3¾	Do preferred	42¼
Do preferred	9	Standard Oil	690
Man. Transit	4⅝	Tennessee Copper	17½
Greene Cons. Cop.	24¾	Union Copper	2⅝
Havana Tob. Co.	41	United Copper	29¾
Do preferred	62	White Knob Cop.	9

*Ex-dividend.

Philadelphia Closing Bids.

Penna. R. R.	77	United Gas Imp.	111
Phila. Traction	98	Indianapolis	91
Union Traction	45⅞	Tidewater Steel	4⅝
Elec. & Peo. 4s	98	Cambria Steel Co.	26
Lehigh Valley	37½	Internat. Powder	11
Cons. Lake Super.	9⅝	Elec. Co. of Am.	9⅝
Do preferred	38⅝	American Rys.	32
Storage	84	Alkali	⅛
Do preferred	84	Amer. Asphalt 5s	28
Marsden	4½	Phila. Co.	45¼
Phila. Electric	8½	Railways General	5

Chicago Stocks.

American Can	10	Nat. Biscuit pfd	103
Do preferred	46	Swift & Co.	124¼
Chicago T. & T.	10	Met. L. com	36
Diamond Match	136	South Side L.	109
*Nat. Biscuit com	45	N. Chi. St. R. R	161
Do cash	45⅝		

*Ex-dividend 1 per cent.

Columbus Stocks.

(Reported by McElroy & Boyle.)

C. D. & T. Trac.	39	G. Rapids St. Ry.	94¾
Columbus Gas	106	Do preferred	64
Do preferred	103¾	North. Ohio Trac.	94¾
Columbus St. Ry.	62	Do preferred	74
Do preferred	105	Rochester St. Ry.	98¾
E. St. & S. St. Ry.	56		

Boston Stocks and Bonds.

Atchison	83¾	American Sugar	129¼
Do preferred	99⅝	Do preferred	120
Boston & Maine	194	Am. T. & Tel.	163½
N. Y., N. H. & H.	214	Domin. I. & Steel	59¼
Fitchburg pfd	141	United Fruit	110
Union Pacific	99⅞	U. S. Steel	35½
Mexican Central	22½	Do preferred	84⅝

Electric Stocks.

Westing. com	97	Mass. Electric	33¼
General Electric	177	Do preferred	93

Turpentine and Rosin.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 26.—Spirits turpentine firm at 52c. Rosin firm at $1 35@1 40. Crude turpentine firm at $1 75@3 00. Tar firm at $1 60.

CHURCHES TO HOLD VARIED SERVICES

Methodists Will Observe the Completion of 20th Century Fund.

BLACKSMITH TO PREACH

Grace Reformed Congregation Holds Last Services in Its Downtown Edifice Tomorrow. Pulpit Topics by Local Pastors.

The Methodist Episcopal church is preparing to celebrate the completion of its 20th century thank offering fund. Three years have been spent in raising $20,000,000 for the benevolences of the church and liquidating the indebtedness on its property, and every dollar asked for has been raised. The board of bishops of the church, in recognition of the church's success in obtaining the thank offering fund, has recommended that the last four days of December be observed, with deep spiritual activity.

This season will begin tomorrow with special services in the churches, Sunday schools and Epworth leagues. Meetings are also recommended for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights, the last to be a watch night service. The Pittsburgh conference has been in the front rank in this offering, having raised $60,000 for the permanent annuity fund of the conference, an average of $1 a member.

The Rev. Abel J. Parry, D. D., of Rhyl, North Wales, will preach at three services in the Chatham Street Baptist church tomorrow. The morning and afternoon services will be in Welsh and the evening service in English. Dr. Parry is a well-known Welsh divine and visited Pittsburgh about eight years ago, preaching to large audiences of Welshmen. He is celebrated for his writings on religious and other subjects, and is a journalist of marked ability. At one time Dr. Parry was the editor of the Carnarvon Herald, a well-known Welsh paper. He has been making a tour of the Welsh settlements in this country, and is returning from Denver. He will remain in Pittsburgh over Sunday, when he will leave for Utica, N. Y., thence back to Wales.

Last Service in Old Church.

The services tomorrow morning in the Grace Reformed church will be the last held in their old downtown edifice, which has been used as its place of worship for nearly 50 years. On January 4 the congregation will worship in the Sunday school rooms of the new church building, Dithridge and Bayard streets. At the service tomorrow the pastor of the church, the Rev. John H. Prugh, will preach on "Retrospect." A special musical program will be rendered by the church choir, composed of Mrs. J. T. Hamilton, soprano; Mrs. Harvey Ganse, contralto; Harry B. Brockett, Jr., tenor; Edwin H. Prugh, bass.

Prof. Richard Schiedt, head of the department of science of Franklin and Marshall college, Lancaster, will preach in the Reformed Church of the Ascension, Allegheny, tomorrow morning. This congregation is worshiping in the Eleventh ward school house pending the erection of its new building. Prof. Scheidt will preach in the St. Mark's Reformed church in the evening. He will arrive in Pittsburgh today and will be the guest of Paul C. Wolff of the East End.

The services in the Wesley chapel, North Braddock, an independent church, on Sunday, will be of interest. Harry J. Maguire, a blacksmith at Edgewood and a member of the Wilkinsburg Methodist Episcopal church, will occupy the pulpit and preach the sermon. Mr. Maguire is said to be a remarkable man and self-educated. In the evening the Rev. H. L. Bremner will preach in costume.

Reopening an Old Church.

Jacobs Creek church, one of the old landmarks of Methodism, will be reopened tomorrow by the pastor, the Rev. H. J. Hickman. This church has been greatly depleted in recent years by removals and by the creation of the churches at Morgan and Scottdale. The church building has been extensively repaired and made better than ever before. At the reopening tomorrow former pastors of the church will attend and participate in the services.

The Rev. J. Leonard Levy, rabbi of the Reform congregation of Rodeph Shalom, will deliver a lecture in the temple, Eighth street, at 10:30 o'clock tomorrow morning on "The Conquering Hero." The new English ritual will be used during the entire service and Mr. Van Praag of the Pittsburgh orchestra will render instrumental selections.

"Ben Hur" will be presented by stereopticon at the Bijou meeting at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Seventy-five of the principal scenes in color will illustrate the Rev. S. Edward Young's lecture. Benjamin Franklin Butts will lead the singing and render some solos.

The presbytery of Monongahela will meet in the assembly room of the United Presbyterian Publication building, Pittsburgh, on Tuesday morning next at 10 o'clock.

Organ Concert to Be Given.

At the Fourth Avenue Baptist church tomorrow evening, an organ concert will be given by the organist, John Q. Everson. The following is the program: "Angels' Chorus," Clark; "March of Magi Kings," Dubois; violin solo by John Gernert; Andante from "Organ Sonata," Mendelssohn; Christmas offertoire and ancient hymn, Grison; postlude, "Wedding March," Guilmart.

The quarterly meeting of the Junior Missionary association of the United Presbyterian church will be held in the woman's board room, Publication building, in Ninth street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The thank offering service will be the subject of discussion.

A union meeting of all the United Presbyterian churches of Pittsburgh and vicinity will be held in the Eighth church, Pittsburgh, on Monday night. A short sermon will be delivered by the Rev. W. E. McCulloch, after which there will be a conference on "The Need of Revival."

The Rev. Edwin A. Blake, pastor of the Christ Methodist Episcopal church, and the Rev. J. K. McClurkin, pastor of the Shadyside United Presbyterian church, will exchange pulpits tomorrow morning.

Other pulpit announcements follow:

Presbyterian.

Hazelwood, John M. Gaston—10:45 and 7:45.

Wilkinsburg, Thomas Parry—11, "Hunger;" 7:45, anthem and song service.

Lawrenceville, A. E. Linn—10:30, "The Time is Short;" 7:30, "No Wedding Garment On."

First, Pittsburgh, Maitland Alexander—10:45, "The Soul Before God;" 7:45, "One Year of Life."

Bellevue, W. A. Raulston—11, "The Incarnation of Christ;" 7:30, "The Baptism of the Eunuch."

Central, Allegheny, J. A. Platts—11, "Past, Present and Future;" 7:45, "A Closing Thought."

North, Allegheny, 11 and 7:45, James D. Moffatt, president of Washington and Jefferson college.

Sixth, Pittsburgh, J. Shane Nicholls—10:30, "Jesus' Intercessory Prayer;" 7:30, "The Flight of Time."

Homewood Avenue, Joseph P. Calhoun—11, "The Glory of the Lord;" 7:30, "Christmas Praise Service."

Second, Pittsburgh, S. Edward Young—10:30, "Now Is the Time to Make a Great Record;" 7:30, "How Keep Up to Date?"

First, Allegheny, David S. Kennedy—10:45, "The Final Glory and the Final Judgment;" 7:45, "The Program of the Gospel."

Melrose Avenue, A. W. Verner—11, "The Old Year as Instructor for the New;" 7:30, "Alone With God at Evening Time."

Grace Memorial, M. B. Lanier—11, "Duties Required in the First Command;" 8, "The Sins Forbidden in the First Command."

First, Sheradenville, Herbert Hezlep—11, "How Church Members Ought to Behave;" 7:45, "The State of the Soul After Death."

Mt. Washington, Charles S. McClelland—10:30, "Ye Have Not Passed This Way Heretofore;" 7:45, "As Water Spilt on the Ground."

McClure Avenue—S. J. Glass—11, "Present Opportunities for Christian Work Among the Jews," by Thomas M. Chalmers; "My Call to Christian Life and Service," by Maurice Ruben, 7:45.

United Presbyterian.

Ninth, Allegheny, J. E. Springer—11 and 7:45.

Eighth, Pittsburgh, J. M. Wallace—10:30 and 7:45.

First, Allegheny, George W. Robinson—11 and 7:30.

Thirty-third Street, Albert Flick—11, "The End;" 7:30, "Disciples."

Fourth, Allegheny, Thomas Park—11, "Immortality;" 7:45, "Finding the Savior."

Shadyside, J. K. McClurkin—Edwin A. Blake; 7:45, "Hitherto and Henceforth."

Duquesne Park chapel, Robert C. Douds—11, "Living a Day at a Time;" 7:45, "A Year of Grace."

Twelfth, Allegheny, I. G. McCreary—11, "A Good New Year's Resolution;" 7:45, "Lost Opportunities."

Fourth, Pittsburgh, H. H. Marlin—11 and 7:45, J. A. Grier, dean of the Allegheny Theological seminary.

Eleventh, Allegheny, C. F. Wishart—10:45, "Two Kinds of Separations;" 7:45, "The Despised Messiah."

Eighth, Allegheny, W. I. Wishart—10:30, "The Year's Fruitage;" 7:45, "The Passing and the Abiding."

Second, Allegheny, W. H. McMillan—11, "A Chapter from Paul's Experience;" 7:30, "The Lessons of the Season."

Third, Allegheny, A. H. Baldinger—11, 7:45, George E. Hawes of Braddock. Annual sermon to the Women's Missionary and Aid society.

First, Pittsburgh, William J. Reid—10:45, "Ye Know Not What Shall Be on the Morrow;" 7:45, "That Which Passes, and That Which Remains."

Sixth, Pittsburgh, R. M. Russell—11, "Fundamental Truths Concerning Salvation;" 7:45, "Preparation for the Light and Life of Jesus." Evangelistic service.

Eleventh, Pittsburgh, W. R. Thompson—10:30, "Some Thoughts on the Closing Days of 1902;" 6:15, "A Prayer for Young Men and Women," sermon to young people.

Reformed Presbyterian.

Eighth Street, David McAllister—"God's Way of Salvation;" 3, "Child Ministry."

Allegheny, W. J. Coleman—10:30, "The Christian Church at Antioch;" 7:30, "The Value of Mutual Love Among Believers."

Wilkinsburg, R. C. Wylie—11, "The Christian as a Trustee of the Gospel;" 7:30, "The Christian as a Soldier in the Great Conflict."

Cumberland Presbyterian.

Second, Pittsburgh, W. F. Silveus—11, "Salvation With Eternal Glory;" 7:45, "Retrospect of Closing Year."

Methodist Episcopal.

West End, D. Flanigan—10:30 and 7:30.

Buena Vista Street, S. M. Mackey—10:30 and 7:30.

Oakland, Thomas J. Leak—10:45, communion; 7:45, "The Ten Virgins."

Mifflin Avenue, Arthur Smith—11, "Isaiah's Mission;" 7:30, "Self Examination."

Emory, Arthur D. Mink—11, "The Triumphant Christ;" 7:45, "The Life Line."

Union, D. L. Johnson—10:30, "Go Forward;" 7:30, "How to Make the World Better."

Fifth Avenue, E. M. Wood—11, "Christ Eternally Unchanged;" 7:45, "Times in God's Hands."

Calvary, Allegheny, James M. Thoburn Jr.—10:30, "The Gift of God;" 7:45, "1902's Last Sabbath."

Mt. Washington, L. S. Wilkinson—10:30, "The Christian Fishermen;" 7:30, "Reaping Our Own Sowing."

Lincoln Avenue, W. B. Slutz—11, "The Forgotten Past;" 7:45, "Quarterly Sunday School Lessons," stereopticon.

Union Centenary, Oliver H. P. Graham—10:45, "The Right of Old Age;" 7:30, "The Realm of Womanhood."

North Avenue, E. L. Eaton—10:30, "My Glory Will I Not Give to Another;" 7:45, "Christmas Praise Service."

Smithfield Street, W. H. W. Rees—11, "The Old and the New;" 8, "His Last Night."

Christ, E. A. Blake—11, J. K. McClurkin; 7:45, "Higher Criticism."

Baptist.

Hazelwood-Glenwood, George E. T. Stevenson—7:45.

Mount Olive, R. S. Laws—10:45, "The Work of Righteousness;" 7, "Reason."

Union, J. M. Thomas—10:30, "Christ Was Born;" 7:30, "The Peace Giver."

Sandusky Street, B. F. Woodburn—11, "The Past and Future;" 7:45, "Character."

Fifth Avenue, T. E. Jepson—11, "Numbering Our Days;" 7:45, "Nearing the End."

Beth-Eden, J. S. Hutson—10:30, "The Mission of the Christ;" 7:30, "The Reception or Rejection of Christ, the Turning Point of Character and Destiny."

Chatham Street, E. M. Jones—10:30, 2:30 and 7:30, Abel J. Parry of Rhyl, North Wales.

Wilkinsburg, John M. Moore—11, W. S. Bayne; 7:45, "Making the Marred Vessel Over Again."

Fourth Avenue—10:30, George E. T. Stevenson. Baptisms; 7:45, stereopticon. Review of Bible lessons of 1902.

First, McKeesport, J. A. Maxwell—10:30, "Buying Back the Past Year;" 7:30, "Selling Out the Coming Year."

Shady Avenue, W. A. Stanton—11, "Love of Righteousness;" 7:45, "Self-Made and Self-Ruined Man." Baptisms.

Maple Avenue, A. Judson King—10:30, "Holding God to His Promise;" 7:45, "An Important Question Answered."

Christian.

First, Braddock, O. H. Philips—11, "The Volunteer Mile;" 7:45, "The Evening of Hope."

First, Duquesne, Henry F. Lutz—10:45, "Church Organization;" 7:30, "Fruitless Emotions."

East End, W. J. Russell—11, "Retrospective and Prospective;" 7:45, "The Handwriting on the Wall."

Bellevue, J. H. Craig—11, "Four Small but Wise Things;" 7:45, "How Can We Have a Happy New Year?"

Observatory Hill, Allegheny, John A. Jayne—10:45, "The Crowning of 1902;" 7:45, "The Message of 1902 to 1903."

First, McKeesport, J. A. Joynce—10:45, "Christ in You, the Hope and Glory;" 7:30, "By Reason of Strength."

First, Hazelwood, E. W. Thornton—10:45, "The Secret of a Crowded Church;" 7:45, "Obedience to the Heavenly Vision."

First, Allegheny, J. W. Kerns—11, "What Did You Accomplish Last Year?" 7:45, "The Touch of God Upon the Human Heart."

Lutheran.

First, English, Pittsburgh, D. H. Geissinger—10:45 and 7:30.

Mt. Oliver, G. B. Weaver—7:45, "The Rich Man and Lazarus."

St. Luke's English, J. W. Romich—10:45, "The Stone of Help;" 7:45, "The New Leaf."

Bethel, C. B. King—10:30, "The Little Flocks Encouraged;" 7:45, "The Closing of the Year."

Bethany, John Weidley—11, "Lessons From the Past;" 7:45, "What Shall the Future Be?"

Trinity, Alonzo J. Turkle—10:45, "Influence of the Christ Child;" 7:45, "Naming the Christ Child."

Grace, Allegheny, William H. Nicholas—10:45, "An Untrodden Path;" 7:45, "Knowing the Love of Christ."

Aspinwall, Herman C. Reller—11, "Standards for the Measurement of Life;" 7:45, "Testing Days for All."

Calvary, Wilkinsburg, J. B. Markward—11, "Jesus Christ, a Reality in Present Day Life;" 7:45, "Christian Character."

Methodist Protestant.

First, Allegheny—10:30, "Retrospect and Prospect;" 7:30.

Trinity, Charles E. Wilbur—10:45, "Christmas;" 7:45, "New Year's."

Bellevue, George Shafer—11, "The Crowned Year;" 7:30, "Time Redeemed."

South Eighteenth Street, J. A. Johnson—10:30, "The New Year;" 7:30.

First, Pittsburgh, R. J. Young—11, "Life With a Purpose;" 7:45, "Providence and Plan."

Reformed.

Grace, John H. Prugh—10:45, "Retrospect;" farewell service.

Ascension, Allegheny, A. C. Dieffenbach—11, Prof. Richard Scheidt, Franklin and Marshall college.

First, McKeesport, C. F. Althouse—11, "The Lessons We Have Been Taught in 1902;" 7:30, "The Things We Will Need in 1903."

Spiritualist.

Peoples, Allegheny, Mrs. J. S. Steele, medium—2:45 and 7:45.

First, Homestead, Mrs. Celia Murtha Clifford, medium—7:45.

Congregational.

First, Allegheny, Thomas Clayton—10:30, "The Weak Things That Confound the Mighty;" 7:30, "The Mission of Music;" Christmas music by church choir.

Unitarian.

First, Pittsburgh, L. Walter Mason—10:45, "Jesus, the Christ."

Christian Science.

First Church of Christ—11 and 8, "Christian Science."

Miscellaneous.

Covenant Mission to the Jews, Maurice Ruben—3.

Young Men's Christian Association, Charles H. Shinkle, speaker—4.

UNEXPLAINED MOVE IN ERIE SECURITIES

Traders Sell St. Paul and Buy It Back After It Refused to Yield.

The Pittsburgh Gazette Bureau,
Herald Building, Herald Square,
NEW YORK, Dec. 27.

The Herald this (Saturday) morning says: There was an enormous volume of business yesterday carried on in Erie common without any of the usual accompanying explanations. The movement in Erie was started by a commission house with western connections and large quantities of the stock were taken on the advance. The statement was made that the year's business will greatly exceed that of last year and advices from the operating department of the company were to the effect that they were unable to handle the business up the state. It was also said that the economies inaugurated by President Underwood were making themselves felt in the net earnings. It was also said that in the near future a change will be made so that there will be only three divisions between New York and Chicago.

Traders sold St. Paul early and later bought it back when Van Emberg & Atterbury and other commission houses came in as buyers. There was talk of valuable "rights." Insiders disclaimed all knowledge of any such action on the directors' part. At the meeting of the directors, which was held during the day, only routine business was transacted.

Strong circumstantial reports were in circulation that there was a plan under consideration to modify the proposed bond and stock conversion scheme of the steel trust. This was denied by a member of the finance committee, who explained that pending the decision of the New Jersey court of errors and appeals there has been no discussion of the bond plan. He pointed out that if the matter was decided favorably the bond plan would in all probability be carried out, as was the original intention. He saw no reason why it should be modified because the Sharon Steel Company and the Union Steel Company reflected to some extent the mystery as to the benefactors of the recent decision of the Montana courts. It seemed to be the concensus of opinion in Wall street that both side had gained a victory, but inasmuch as the Heinzes had little to lose but much to gain the fact that they had gained something was a victory for them. After moving backward and forward the stock closed for a net gain of ½ point.

WAS A TART MESSAGE.

Mayor of Marietta Receives Caustic Telegram About Bridge There.

The steamer Lorena on her last trip to Zanesville, on the Muskingum river, succeeded in getting past the draw bridge at Marietta, which two weeks ago broke a pin in the turning board, preventing the bridge company from operating the bridge. The Lorena lost one trip as a result and other steamers were also tied up.

The slow manner in which the bridge company took up the matter of making repairs resulted in rivermen and citizens of Marietta appealing to the secretary of war. Capt. Dana Scott of the Lorena says that as soon as the secretary of war was apprised of the information, he telegraphed the mayor of the town to open navigation on the Muskingum river or have the bridge torn down. The bridge repair was wonderfully rapid after this tart message was received from the war department.

In the Business World.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The statement of the Central Railroad of New Jersey for November shows gross earnings of $1,739,694 and net earnings of $871,717, an increase of $120,323 over the net earnings of November, 1901.

Newspaper Changes Hands.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—The Washington Reporter (daily) passed into the hands of a syndicate headed by John L. Stewart today. The consideration is said to have been in the neighborhood of $50,000. Mr. Stewart headed the syndicate which purchased the Daily Observer a few months ago.

State Charters Issued.

HARRISBURG, Dec. 26.—Charters were issued by the state department today to the following corporations: The Commercial Trust Company, McKeesport, capital $250,000; the Iron City Coal Company, Pittsburgh, $1,000.

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M'KEESPORT FARM IS BOUGHT FOR $125,000

Frontage Along Schenley Park to Be Improved. Acreage Owners Are Getting Lot Plans in Shape.

The sale is reported of the Andrew Soles farm of 85 acres in McKeesport for about $125,000, or nearly $1,500 an acre. The land is situated in the Eighth ward and has a frontage of about 900 feet on the south side of Fifth avenue. The McKeesport and Versailles cemetery adjoins it on the west and only a few rods away is Riverton station. The McKeesport, Duquesne & Wilmerding street car line also runs near the property. The reputed buyer is J. D. Little of Washington county, who, with a number of other capitalists, proposes to plot the farm and put it on the market in the spring. The Bowman farm, lately sold to Chester Glass and others, is in the same neighborhood and as arrangements are already being made for putting this farm on the market early in the spring and doing a considerable amount of building, the chances are excellent for another lively lot season in McKeesport.

Will Build Near Schenley Park.

Another good sale of Schenley park frontage was announced yesterday, the deal having been handled by Thomas Travers of the firm of Gault & Giffen. For R. F. Biales he sold to Thomas McDunn 11 lots 30x90 feet each, facing Neeb street, near the eastern entrance to Schenley park, for $11,000. The property is near the frontage owned by Frank McCann, which faces on the boulevard. Mr. McDunn is preparing to improve his purchase by the erection of 11 reception hall brick houses to cost $5,000 each.

Preliminary papers have been signed in the sale of about 25 acres of land near the end of the Mt. Washington tunnel for a price approximating $42,000. The purchaser is a business man of Avalon, who proposes to lay out a plan of lots.

Architect W. A. Thomas has sold to James O'Hallowan a new ten-room brick house on lot 33x103 feet, on the southeast side of Amber street, Twentieth ward, for $10,000.

Lot Managers in Demand.

The day-after-feeling, looked upon as the natural result of the Christmas festivities, settled down upon the real estate market like a pall yesterday, and effectively concealed any signs of activity if there were such. Brokers all over the city are resigning themselves to the inevitable holiday stagnation spirit, and report that every effort to close up a number of big transactions that are well under way is futile. Features in the situation this week are offers that several brokers have to manage lot plans next season. The phenomenal success that attended the lot propositions the past season has encouraged many investors to buy singly or in companies acreage, which they are now having surveyed preparatory to starting on a brisk round of advertising when spring opens. That it requires skill and the best of judgment and selling ability to dispose of the plans successfully is generally recognized, and the brokers who have succeeded by liberal advertising in selling over 13,000 lots the last 12 months, are in demand as managers for next year.

New Houses for Allegheny.

Architect Edwin Carroll of Allegheny will take bids Monday on the erection of six frame houses to cost $2,000 each. They will belong to Charles Roehring and will be built in Evergreen street, near East street, Allegheny.

Wylie avenue: W. J. White sold for Mary A. Whalen to Hyman Grinberg a two-story mansard brick house, lot 22x70 feet, at No. 1526 Wylie avenue, for $5,550.

Hazelwood: The Hazelwood Savings & Trust Company sold for Alfred Barber to John Folgeran an improved lot in Alameda street, Twenty-third ward, for $3,000. Also for J. W. Barker to William B. Shaw a lot 24x100 feet, in Elizabeth street, same ward, for $768.

Washington avenue: The Margaret Blum estate sold to Henry F. Thoms an improved lot 25x76 feet, on the south side of Washington avenue, Thirty-first ward, for $5,250.

East End Sale.

Everett street: C. T. Bundy sold to the Hunt Armory association an improved lot 55x115 feet, in Everett street, Twenty-first ward, for $4,600.

Larkins alley: Frederick Teelen sold to R. Bubenheim an improved lot 20x60 feet, on the southeast side of Larkins alley, Twenty-sixth ward, for $2,750.

Wade street: James Barker sold to Mary A. Stotts a lot 25x100 feet, in Wade street, Thirty-second ward, for $1,200.

Gearing avenue: James A. Griffith sold for Henry C. Knapp to August J. Noll a lot 25x120 feet, on the east side of Gearing avenue, Thirty-eighth ward, for $550.

Transfers Recorded.

Cassidy Jno et al. to M J McBride, Dec. 15, '02, 2d wd, Braddock, lot	$4,600
McBride M J et ux. to J W Shirer, Dec. 19, '02, same, Jones ave	1,600
Schulz Rudolph et ux. to Fredk Dierstein, Oct. 21, '02, Mifflin twp, 35x100, Twp road	700
Alcorn Wm J et ux. to Matthew Moore, Dec. 9, '02, Verona boro, 48x100, First ave	3,000
Moore Matthew to Wm J Alcorn et ux., Dec. 10, '02, Verona boro, 48x100, First ave	3,000
Blackly Oliver L et ux. to J A Strickler, Oct. 9, '02, 2nd wd, Wilkinsburg, Ross ave	500
Brinker Wm M et ux. to Simon S Smith, Oct. 24, '02, Wilkinsburg, 25x105, Clark st	1,000
Marshall Curtis S et ux. to S L Smith, Dec. 1, '02, 2nd wd, Wilkinsburg, 70x75, Ramsey st	3,750
Schirley Joseph et ux. to Daniel C Donovan, Sept. 8, '02, 2nd wd, Duquesne, 25x100, Catherine st	1,850
Fedder Josephine et al. to J Woods McCormick, Dec. 3, '02, 32d wd, Pgh., 66x165, Virginia st	5,500
Lanz Geo et ux. to Harry Moore, Dec. 12, '02, 27th wd, Pgh., Salisbury st	1,600
Dahlinger Charles W to Jos H Fister, July 26, '02, 15th wd, Ally., 3 lots, Watson boulevard	3,000
Anderson Wm C et ux. to Max A Bauer, Dec. 16, '01, 21st wd, Pgh.	2,700
Feeney Festus et ux. to Nora Schroeter, Dec. 23, '02, Carnegie boro, 34x103, West Boundary st	1,800
Allen Silas et ux. to Kate Steinger, Dec. 6, '02, Crafton boro, lot	1,100
Zeigler Henry M et ux. to Walter Case, Oct. 18, '02, Glassport boro, 2 lots, Ohio ave	1,320
McConaughey Mary W to Mary A Cunningham, Dec. 9, '02, 13th wd, Pgh., 2 lots, Lawson st	700
Woollett Thos D to Leander Higbee, Dec. 4, '02, 31st wd, Pgh., 2 lots, Maple ave	6,000
Wamser Louis et ux. to Jos Trescher, Nov. 19, '02, 2d wd, All'y, 20x50, Veto st	2,000

Mortgages Recorded.

Speck J J to Amelia M Caldwell, Dec. 26, '02	$ 2,000
Guckert Margt to Madison B & L A, Dec 22, '02	1,000
Kirk Jno W to Home Brew Co, Dec 24, '02	2,000
Succop Albert to Safe Ten Cent B & L A, Dec 23, '02	1,500
Adams J H to G W Crawford, Dec 26, '02	3,500
McGee Albert to Jean B Perry, Dec 22, '02	1,600
*McBride M J to Patk Cassidy, Dec 19, '02	1,500
*Little David B to W H Watt, Dec 1, '02	15,000
*Abel B F to G H Bennett, Dec 24, '02	2,000
Vater Max to Fifth Ave Tr B & L A, Dec 26, '02	2,000
Baughman Hiram to J G Kelly, Dec 24, '02	700
Ehrhardt Jno to Mich Kering, Dec 22, '02	2,100
Heilig Louis to Keystone B & L A, Dec 24, '02	1,500
Gallaher Arthur T et al to Humboldt Fire Ins Co, Dec 16, '02	1,000
Canfield Geo K to P C Campbell, Nov 26, '02	550
Same to same, Nov 8, '02	600
Zeigler Zeno E to Reliable B & L A, Dec 22, '02	2,080
Yahn Louis W to W P Campbell, May 1, '02	1,500
*Himber Geo F to Jos Beechler, Dec 19, '02	500
Case Walter to Anny Goe, Dec 24, '02	900

*Purchase money.

Movements of Gold.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—(Special.)—In redemption of checks drawn by depositors of gold at the Seattle assay office, today's official records show that the sub-treasury paid out yesterday $16,967. Total thus paid since Friday $39,348, against $41,879 for the same period a week ago. Total payment by government to New York banks for the day $3,115,000. Payment by banks to government, $3,727,000. Balance on the day's transactions $612,000 paid by banks to government. Total net payment by banks to government since Friday, $704,000, against $638,000 similarly paid for the corresponding period a week ago.

HOLIDAY FOLLOWED BY QUIET TRADE

Turkey Prices Decline—Cabbage Takes Upward Step. Grocery Staples Steady.

The day after Christmas is generally a quiet one in trade, and yesterday was no exception to the rule. Buyers never show much disposition to enter into business transactions at that time, and sellers have long ceased to expect any rush of purchasers. From now until after the first of the coming year retailers will satisfy themselves with a mere keeping up of such supplies as are needed for immediate requirements, and will anticipate no wants. Stock taking time comes in January with the majority of storekeepers, and stocks will be allowed to run low in preparation for that event. Consequently jobbers are not looking for much trade, and will quietly go ahead with their own arrangements for the coming year, which include the annual inventory taken on the first of January.

As a result of the general listlessness in buying and selling yesterday prices did not have much opportunity to change one way or the other. Turkeys, which were of course a little higher during the early part of the week than they would have been under ordinary circumstances, went off several cents a pound, but the decline was not so great as it would have been if stocks had not cleaned up well on Wednesday. There were not many turkeys left over, and what few do remain will be needed for the regular demand. Prices continue to rule high, though lower than just before Christmas. Live chickens went off a cent per pound.

Hay and Grain Market Quiet.

The receipts for the two days in the hay and grain market amounted to 114 cars, and the market was quiet. Quotations were allowed to remain unchanged, as little business was done yesterday, and no conditions were present of sufficient force to influence the market either up or down.

Wholesale grocers made no alterations in quoted prices for any staple. Flour is firm, with selling principally done at the top point of the range. Sugar and coffee are both holding their own without special feature in either. Navy beans are stronger, with prices to jobbers advanced. Local figures are unchanged, the market keeping close to $2.50 for hand picked, but it may be that quotations will advance if present conditions are maintained.

Prices in the fruit and produce market did not make any undue ascensions for the holidays, and therefore had no hard falls to undergo. The only changes made yesterday were in an upward direction, and included an advance in cabbage and higher figures for spinach. Florida cucumbers are no longer in the market. Apples, potatoes and other staples remain as they have been for some days.

Trade is quiet in the egg market, but jobbers claim to be getting 30 cents a dozen for fancy select fresh, and the list of quotations is allowed to remain undisturbed. The cold weather now here may cause the market to advance. A little more demand would quickly affect prices, for supplies are limited.

HAY, GRAIN AND FEED.

Receipts bulletined: Pennsylvania lines, 53 cars hay, 7 cars corn, 13 cars oats, 2 cars straw, 1 car hay and straw, 4 cars rye, 2 cars feed; Pittsburgh & Lake Erie railroad, 8 cars hay, 5 cars oats, 1 car rye, 1 car straw; Pittsburgh & Western railroad, 14 cars hay, 1 car hay and straw, 2 cars oats; total receipts, 114 cars.

No. 1 tim.	$16.50@17.00
do No. 2	$15.00@16.00
No. 1 clov.	$12.50@13.00
do mixed	$14.50@15.00
Loose, from wagon	$16.00@17.00
Straw, oat	$9.00@9.50
do wheat	$9.00@9.50
do rye	$10.00@10.50
Corn, new No. 2 yellow shell	53@54c
do high mix	51@52c
do No. 2 mix	49@50c
No. 2 new, yellow ear	55@56c
do high mix	53@54c
Do No. 2 mix	51@52c
Rye, No. 2, Michigan	59@60c
Oats, No. 2, white	37½@38c
do extra No. 3	36½@37c
do reg. 3s	35½@36c
White mid'lgs, No. 2, ton	$18.50@19.00
Brown mid'lgs, ton	$17.50@18.00
Bran, ton	$17.00@17.50

GROCERIES.

Flour, fancy spg. pat.	$4.15@4.25
do fancy winter patent	$3.80@4.00
do straight winter	$3.60@3.80
do bakers' spring	$3.45@3.60
do rye	$3.45@3.60
do graham	$4.00@4.50
Cornm'l bbl.	$3.25@3.30
do 10-lb cotton bags	19@20c
Rolled oats, bbl	$4.60
do pkgs	$2.30@3.10
do kegs	$2.55
Oatmeal, bbl	$5.10
do kegs	$2.80
Sugar, stan. gran	5.00c
do fine	5.00c
do 2-lb cartons	5.20c
do 5-lb cot bags	5.15c
do powdered	5.15c
do pow'd xxxx	5.15c
do cubes	5.25c
do cut loaf	5.25c
do confec. A	4.85c
do coff. A	4.75@4.85c
do No. 1 yellow	4.55c
do No. 2 yellow	4.55c
do No. 3 yellow	4.50c

(Sugar quotations are for Pittsburgh and Allegheny wagon delivery. Add 8 cents per 100 pounds for rail shipments to points within a radius of 50 miles of Pittsburgh.)

Coffee, roasted, bulk, Rio	10½@12c
do Santos	22½@23½c
do Maracaibo	17@17½c
do Peaberry	17@18c
do Caracas	19@19½c
do Gol. Rio	13½@14c
do Java	26@29c
do Mocha	25½c
do std. pkg	9.55c
do high grade, pkgs	14.30@16.30c
Molasses, fancy refined	35@37c
do choice	32@35c
do prime	26@30c
do open ket	40@43c
Syrup, fancy sugar	30@32c
do sugar and cane	28@31c
do 2½-lb cans, doz	$1.05
do 3-lb cans, doz	$1.20
do 5-lb cans, doz	$2.50
do 10-lb cans, doz	$3.50
Maple syrup, gal	60@90c
Beans, prime, mar., bu	$2.75@2.95
do navy, bu	$2.45@2.50
do navy, imp	$2.35@2.40
do red kid	$3.35@3.50
do Cal. limas, lb	5½@5¾c
Peas, dried, bu	$1.75@1.80
do Scotch, bu	$1.80@1.85
do split, lb	4c
Oil, Carbon, 110 deg	11½c
do headlight	12¼c
do water white	12½c
do Elaine	16½c
do Ohio W. W. test	12¼c
do miners	26@32c
do special brands	26@43c
Rice, ext. fancy, head, lb	7¼@7¾c
do fancy Japan	5½c
do choice Carolina	6@6¼c
Salt, No. 1, bbl	95c
do No. 1 extra	$1.05
do dairy	$1.25
do gran. rock, sack	95c
do pocket	$1.55@1.85

CANNED GOODS.

Peaches, std pie	80@85c
do pie	$2.50@3.00
do California L. C.	$1.90@2.35
do Maryland	$1.15@1.65
do Cal. Y. F.	$1.80@2.00
Corn, fancy	$1.15@1.30
do std	95c@$1.10
Cherries, Cal white	$2.20@2.25
Lima beans	$1.20@1.40
do soaked	75@80c
String beans	65c@$1.25
Peas, marrow fat	95c@$1.00
do early June	$1.00@1.30
do soaked	55@65c
Apples, N. Y. gal. cans	$2.50
Pineapples	$1.20@2.20
Plums, damson	$1.00
do California	$1.40
Raspberries	85@90c
Gooseberries	95c@$1.00
Tomatoes, standard	$1.00@1.10
do fancy	$1.20@1.30
do gal	$3.65@3.75
Succotash, 1-lb. cans	65c@$1.40
Baked beans, tomato sc.	85c@$1.40
Salmon, doz	$1.00@2.05
Chipped beef	$2.25@2.75
Corned and roast beef, 2-lb cans	$2.45@2.50
do 1-lb cans	$1.45@1.50
Mackerel, broiled	$2.00@2.75
Sardines, domestic, ¼s	$3.60@3.85
do mustard, ¾s	$2.90
do French	$9.00@16.90
Oysters, 1-lb full wght	85c@$1.25
do 1-lb lunch, flat cans	$1.10

DRIED FRUITS.

Apricots, evap., bags	8½@12c
do 25-lb boxes	8@12c
Apples, bulk	8c
do 1-lb cartons	8¼@9c
Peaches	7@10c
Raspberries	26@27½c
Raisins, seeded, 1-lb pkgs	9@9½c
do Muscatel, 2 and 4-crown 50-lb boxes	7@8c
do Ondara Val	9¾@10c
do Cal. Val	8c
Currants, cleaned, 25 and 50-lb pkgs	6½@6¾c
Prunes, Cal	3¾@8½c

SALT FISH.

Mackerel, No. 1 mess, bbl	$35.00
do half bbls	$18.00
do quar bbls	$9.40
Mackerel, No. 2, bbls	$27.00
do half bbls	$14.00
do quar bbls	$8.00
do 10-lb pails	$1.50
Lake Herring, 100 lbs	$4.10
do 30-lb quar	$1.55
do 10 lbs	55c
Bloaters, 50-box	85c

TROPICAL FRUITS.

Lemons, California	$3.50@4.00
do Messina	$3.00@4.00
Limes, per 100	$1.00
Oranges, Fla	$3.00@3.50
do Jamaica	$3.00@3.50
do California, navel	$3.50@4.00
do California seedlings	$2.50@3.00
Cocoanuts, bags	$2.75@3.25
Bananas, firsts	$1.50@1.75
do eights	$1.25@1.50
do seconds	75c@$1.00
Grapes, Malaga, keg	$4.50@6.50
Grape fruit	$5.00@7.00

DOMESTIC FRUITS.

Apples, Kings, bbl	$3.00@3.50
Baldwins	$2.25@3.00
do, greenings and pippins	$1.50@2.00
Pears, Kiefer, bbls	$2.50@3.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, fcy	$2.75@3.00
do, choice	$2.50@2.75
do, bbls	$8.50@11.00
do, Jersey	$2.75@3.00
Cal. Strawberries, pint	50@60c

NUTS.

Almonds, lb	14@16c
Filberts, lb	12c
Walnuts, English, lb	12@14c
Pecans, lb	11@12c
Brazil nuts, lb	10@11c
Mixed nuts, lb	11@12c
Chestnuts, small, lb	4@5c
do, large	9@10c
Shellbarks, bu	$2.50@3.00
Peanuts, fancy	$1.35
do, choice	$1.15

POULTRY.

Live hens, lb	12@13c
Springers	13@14c
Roosters	9@10c
Turkeys, lb	16@17c
Geese	12@13c
Ducks, old	13c
do spring	14c
Dressed hens	16c
Springers	17c
Broilers	20c
Roosters	12c
Turkeys	20@21c
Ducks	18c
do Long Island	20@22c

GAME.

Mallard ducks, pr.	$1.75
Teal ducks, pair	$1.00
Redheads, pair	$1.50
Canvasbks, pair	$2.75
Squabs, doz	$3.25@3.50
Railbirds, doz	$1.75
Pigeons, doz	$2.25
Squirrels, pair	30@35c
Grouse, imp. pair	$2.50
Ptarmigans, pair	$2.50
Blackcock, pair	$2.50
Partridges, pair	$2.00
Groundhogs, ea.	35@50c
'Possums, each	35@50c
'Coons, each	75c@$1.00
Rabbits, pair	40@50c
Sucking pigs, each	$3.25@3.50

PRODUCE.

Potatoes, choice, car lots, bu.	50@55c
do fancy car-lots, bu	55@58c
do on track	58@60c
do ex-store	65@70c
Sweet potatoes, Va., bbl	$2.25@2.50
do boxes	$1.20@1.35
do Jersey fancy	$3.50@4.00
do med	$2.00@2.25
Onions, bbl	$2.00@2.25
do bu	75@85c
Shallotts	40@50c
Cucumbers, hot-house, doz	$1.75@2.00
Cabbage, Danish, ton	$12.00@15.00
do domestic, ton	$7.00@8.00
Beets, doz	40@50c
do bbl	$2.00@2.50
Parsley, doz	25@35c
Radishes, doz	25@35c
Spinach, bu	50@60c
Celery, doz	30@35c
do Golden Heart, crate	$5.00@5.50
do White Plume, crate	$4.00@4.50
Lettuce, home, doz	50@60c
do Ashtabula, doz	40@60c
do head, bbl	$5.00@6.00
Endive, bbl	$4.00@4.50
Egg plant, Fla., crate	$1.75@2.00
Turnips, bbl	$1.25@1.75
Garlic, lb	7@10c
Carrots, bbl	$1.50@1.75
do doz. bun	30@40c
String beans, green, basket	$3.00@3.50
do wax	$2.50@3.00
Kohlrabi, dz bch	30@40c
Cauliflower, doz	$1.50@2.00
do bbl	$4.00@5.00
Squash, Hubbard, bbl	$1.75@2.00
do mar	$1.50@2.00
Parsnips, bbl	$1.75@2.00
R'tab'gas, bbl	90c@$1.00
Watercress, doz	30@35c
Florida tomatoes, crate	$2.50@3.00
Brussels sprouts, quart	12@14c

HONEY.

White comb	17@18c
Buckwheat	14@15c
N. Y. white clover	18@19c

SEEDS.

Clover, from store, recleaned, 60-lb bu small	$6.85@6.95
do mammoth	$6.95@7.05
do crim'n	$4.75@5.00
do white Dutch	$10.00@11.00
Alsike	$10.00@10.50
Alfalfa	$7.10@7.20
Millet	$1.65@1.70
Grass, Hungarian	90c@$1.10
do lawn, lb	18@20c
do blue, 14-lb bu	$1.50@1.75
do red top, 14-lb bu	$1.10@2.00
Timothy	$2.00@2.05

BUTTER, EGGS AND CHEESE.

Butter, prints	32@32½c
do tubs	31@31½c
do Ohio-Pa. creamery	29@29½c
do dairy	23@24c
do country roll	22@23c
Cheese, N. Y. full cream	14@14½c
do Ohio	13½@14c
do ¾ cream	13c
do Ohio Swiss, tubs	13½@14c
do Wis. Swiss, tubs	15½@16c
do 20-lb block, Swiss	14@14½c
do 5-lb brick	14c
do limberger	13c
Eggs, select	28@30c
do candled	26@27c
do at mark	25@26c
do storage, Apr.	23c
do stor. June	21c

PROVISIONS.

Hams, large, 18 lbs and up	11¾c
do medium, 14 to 18 lbs	12¼c
do small, 10 to 14 lbs	12½c
do small, under 10 lbs	12¾c
do skinned	12¼c
do boneless, boiled	18½c
do California	10¼c
Shoulders, N. Y., cut	10½c
do skinned	11c
Breakfast bacon, rib, 8 to 10 lbs	14c
do back strips	13¾c
Breakfast bacon, clears, 8 to 10 lbs	14½c
do 10 to 12 lbs	14¼c
do back strips	13¾c
Dry salt sides, extra short clears	10½c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs	10¾c
do 16 to 20 lbs	11c
do under 16 lbs	11c
Dry salt smoked sides, extra short clears	11½c
Bellies, 20 to 25 lbs	11¾c
do 16 to 20 lbs	12c
do under 15 lbs	12c
Lard, pure, tierces	11½c

HIDES.

No. 1 green steer, heavy	10c
do light, under 60 lbs and cows, all weights	7c
No. 1 green bulls	7c
Calfskin, No. 1	10c
do No. 2	8c
Green salt or cured, No. 1 steers, over 60 lbs	11c
do No. 2	10c
Cows and light steers	8½c
Calfskins, No. 1	11c
do No. 2	9½c

Butter, Eggs and Cheese.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Butter firm, unchanged; fancy imitation, 22@23c; fancy creamery, 30@31c; fancy ladle, 20@22c; fancy roll, 19@22c; good roll, 17@18c; store packed, 16@18c. Eggs firm, unchanged; fresh, 26@27c. Cheese firm, unchanged; large, 13¾@14c; medium, 13¾@14c; small, 14@14½c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Butter—Receipts, 4,555 packages; steady; state dairy, 25@26c; extra creamery, 28c; creamery, common to choice, 21@27½c; held creamery, 21@26c. Cheese—Receipts, 504 packages; firm; state full cream fancy small, colored, fall make, 13¾@14c; late make, 13@13¼c; small white, fall make, 13¾@14c; late make, 13@13¼c; large colored, fall make, 13¾@14c; late make, 13@13¼c; large white, fall make, 13@13¼c; late make, 13@13¼c. Eggs—Receipts, 3,230 packages; steady; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 28c; western, poor to prime fancy graded, 26c; western, poor to prime, 20@25c; refrigerated, 18½@21c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Butter quiet and easier; creameries, 18@27½c; dairies, 17@25c. Eggs steady; loss off, cases returned, 25c. Cheese firm, 13@13¼c.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—Butter firm, good demand; extra western creamery, 30c; do nearby prints, 33c. Eggs firm and 1c higher; fresh nearby, 28c, loss off; fresh western, 28c, loss off; fresh southwestern, 26@27c, loss off; fresh southern, 25c, loss off. Cheese firm but quiet; New York full creams, prime small, 13¾@14c; do fair to good small, 13@13½c; prime large, 13¾c, do fair to good large, 13@13½c.

DULL DAY'S TRADING IN CHICAGO MARKET

All Grains Hold Steady With Very Slight Advance in Prices.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The holiday dullness which was manifested in all the grain pits today was especially noticeable in wheat and trading at times was almost at a standstill, but in spite of the extreme inactivity prices were steady. Owing to there being no cables the opening was easier. A strong market at St. Louis and a fair export demand helped to maintain a firm tone although crop journals were both bearish and Argentine advices more encouraging. Primary receipts were 1,288,000 bushels, against 620,000 bushels a year ago. Minneapolis and Duluth reported receipts of 530 cars which, with local receipts (for three days) of 143 cars, 3 of contract grade, made total receipts for the three points of 673 cars, against 421 cars last week and 513 cars a year ago.

The only feature in the corn trade was an advance of over 2 cents in the December option caused by the anxiety of some belated shorts to get to cover, but as soon as their wants were supplied the market dropped back to about its former position. The weather was good for the movement and receipts were liberal, but notwithstanding these bearish influences the market had a firm undertone. Local receipts were 491 cars with six of contract grade.

Oats ruled firm throughout the day and toward the end of the session considerable activity was shown and local operators seemed disposed to bull the market, which, under the circumstances, was an easy matter, trade being light and offerings small. The selling was mainly by pit scalpers and commission houses were the best buyers. The close was steady at the higher level. Local receipts were 370 cars.

Provisions were strong the entire day, due mostly to the smaller receipts of hogs and higher prices at the yards, although a fair demand from brokers and covering by shorts also helped in maintaining the better tone. Receipts at the principal western points showed a marked decrease and the shipment of meats was liberal. The close was strong.

Estimated receipts for tomorrow: Wheat, 60 cars; corn, 255 cars; oats, 165 cars; hogs, 17,000 head.

The leading futures as corrected by John D. Armstrong & Co., 209 Sixth street, members of Chicago board of trade:

Articles.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yest'rday's Close.
WHEAT, No. 2.					
Dec.	74½	75⅝	74⅝	74⅞	74⅝
May	77⅛	77½	77	77⅜	77¼
July	74⅛	74¼	74⅛	74⅛	74⅛
CORN, No. 2.					
Dec.	45¼	47½	45	45½	45½
Jan.	44¼	45	44	44⅝	44⅛
May	43¼	43⅝	43⅛	43⅝	43⅜
OATS, No. 2.					
Dec. n	32	32¼	32	32¼	31¾
May	33½	34⅛	33⅝	34	33⅝
MESS PORK.					
Jan.	16 70	17 25	16 70	17 02½	16 60
May	16 30	16 50	16 30	16 47½	16 20
LARD.					
Dec.	10 15	10 30	10 15	10 30	10 17½
Jan.	9 82½	9 97½	9 82½	9 92½	9 80
May	9 47½	9 57½	9 42½	9 52½	9 42½
SHORT RIBS.					
Jan.	8 47½	8 55	8 47½	8 52½	8 45
May	8 65	8 72½	8 62½	8 67½	8 60

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour dull, but steady. No. 2 spring wheat, 73@75½c; No. 3, 69c; No. 2 red, 74¾@75¾c. No. 2 corn, 45¼c; No. 2 yellow, 48c. No. 2 oats, 32¼@32¼c; No. 3 white, 31½@34c. No. 2 rye, 48½c. Good feeding barley, 35@42c. Fair to choice malting, 41@53c. No. 1 flaxseed, $1 16; No. 1 northwestern, $1 24. Prime timothy seed, $3 75. Mess pork, per bbl., $17 00@17 10. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 15@10 30. Short ribs sides (loose), $8 50@8 75; dry salted shoulders (boxed), $8 25@8 50; short clear sides (boxed), $8 87½@9 00. Clover, contract grade, $10 85.

Articles.	Receipts.	Shipments.
Flour, barrels	49,000	43,300
Wheat, bushels	263,100	22,800
Corn, bushels	677,200	222,400
Oats, bushels	1,087,450	371,200
Rye, bushels	44,000	4,800
Barleys, Bushels	278,100	53,700

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Flour—Receipts, 48,624 bbls; exports, 7,722 bbls; market firm, with a moderate trade. Rye flour steady. Buckwheat flour quiet. Cornmeal quiet.

Grain—Rye steady. Barley dull. Wheat—Receipts, 143,325 bu; exports, 81,169 bu; spot market steady; No. 2 red, 84c in elevator; No. 2 red, 79⅝c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 northern Duluth, 86⅝c f. o. b. afloat; No. 1 hard Manitoba, 87⅝c f. o. b. afloat. Options had a slow, uneventful day, but maintained a steady to firm tone. A cold wave menaced the unprotected winter wheat plant, receipts were light, export demand fair and the late corn market a help. The market closed ¼c net higher; May, 81¼@81 5-16c, closed at 81¼c; July, 78⅜@78⅞c, closed at 78⅞c; December, 84¾@84½c, closed at 84½c. Corn—Receipts, 57,750 bu; spot market firm; No. 2, 63c in elevator and 59c f. o. b. afloat; No. 2 yellow, 59½c; No. 2 white, 60c. Option market opened easy on fine weather, but later developed a scare of December shorts that rushed up the price over 3c a bu and steadied the whole list; December closed 3¼c net higher and May ⅛c up; January, 53¾@54½c, closed at 54½c; March closed at 51½c; May, 48⅛@48½c, closed at 48½c; December closed at 64c. Oats—Receipts, 120,000 bu; spot market firm; No. 2, 38@38½c; standard white, 39½c; No. 3, 37½c; No. 2 white, 39½c; No. 3 white, 38½@38¾c; track mixed western nominal; track white, 38@43c. Options quiet but generally firm on light offerings; December closed at 39½c.

TOLEDO, Dec. 26.—Wheat dull, steady; cash and December, 78c; May, 81¼c. Corn dull, firm; December, 46c; May, 43⅞c. Oats dull, steady; December, 34c; May, 34¾c. Rye, No. 2, 52½c. Clover seed dull, steady; January, $6 70; March, 6 85; prime timothy, $1 80; prime alsike, $8 15.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 26.—Wheat—No. 2 red cash, 72c asked; May, 76⅝c bid; July, 72⅝c; No. 2 hard, 69@73½c. Corn—No. 2 cash, 45¼@45¾c; December, 46⅛c asked. Oats—No. 2 cash, 32c bid; May, 33⅝c nominal; No. 2 white, 35c.

DULUTH, Dec. 26.—Wheat—Cash No. 1 hard, 74¼c; No. 1 northern, 73¼c; No. 2 northern, 71¼c; December, 73¼c; May, 76½c. Oats—December, 31½c; May, 33½c; to arrive and on track, 31½c.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 26.—Wheat firm; No. 1 northern, 77¼c; No. 2 northern, 75½@76¼c; May, 77¼c. Rye firm; No. 1, 51⅝c. Barley firm; standard, 56c; sample, 40@55c. Corn—May, 43⅝c.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Flour dull, unchanged. Wheat firmer; spot and December, 76¼@76⅝c. Corn dull and easy; spot, old, 52@52½c. Oats quiet and firm; No. 2 white, 40½@41c.

MOVEMENTS IN TRADE.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26.—The directors of the stock exchange decided today to close the exchange tomorrow, owing to the removal from the present location to the building formerly occupied.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Charles H. Tweed, chairman of the board of directors of the Southern Pacific Company, will sever his connection with that corporation on January 1, to become a partner in the banking house of Speyer & Co.

DENVER, Dec. 26.—J. M. Herbert, who has resigned as manager of the Denver & Rio Grande, will become on January 1 vice president and general manager of the Colorado Southern railroad and vice president of the Ft. Worth & Denver.

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 26.—President Dryden of the Prudential Life Insurance Company of America issued a statement today announcing that the plan proposed for the merger of the Prudential Company and the Fidelity Trust Company of Newark had been abandoned.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Reports that the bond conversion plan of the United States Steel Corporation is to be modified or abandoned because of the recent acquisition of the Union and Sharon Steel companies were authoritatively denied today. The plan will be carried out as soon as the legal obstacles now pending are removed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—R. R. Cable, for many years chairman of the Rock Island board of directors, has resigned that position and been elected chairman of the executive committee. D. G. Reid has been elected chairman of the board of directors. Mr. Cable has long desired to lighten his work and the change was at his request. He is now 70 years old.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Semi-official announcement was made today that George O. Knapp, president; Anthony H. Brady, vice president, and C. K. C. Billings, chairman of the board of directors of the Peoples Gas Company, will soon sail for France to inspect the gas industry in Paris, with a view to bringing about a merger of the several gas companies in that city.

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 26.—The Equitable Trust Company of Philadelphia today instituted suit in the United States court against the receivers of the Asphalt Company of America, the National Asphalt Company and the Land Title & Trust Company to compel the sale of $5,988,420 worth of the stock of the Asphalt Company of America, which was deposited with the Equitable Company as security for an issue of a like amount of collateral gold certificates of the National Asphalt Company.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CENTRAL STOCK YARDS.
Friday, Dec. 26, 1902.

Cattle—Receipts light; market strong; choice, 1,400 to 1,600 lbs, $5 75@5 90; prime, 1,300 to 1,400 lbs, $5 40@5 60; good, 1,200 to 1,300 lbs, $5 00@5 30; tidy, 1,000 to 1,150 lbs, $4 15@4 80; fair, 900 to 1,000 lbs, $3 40@4 00; common, 600 to 800 lbs, $2 50@3 25; heifers, 700 to 1,000 lbs, $3 00@4 00; bulls and stags, $3 00@4 00; common to fair fat cows, $1 75@4 00; best fresh cows, $40@55; common to good, $20@35.

Sheep—Receipts light; market slow; best wethers, 95 to 100 lbs, $3 70@3 90; good mixed, 85 to 95 lbs, $3 40@3 60; fair, 75 to 80 lbs, $2 75@3 20; culls and common, $1 50@2 00; choice lambs, $5 30@5 50; common to good, $3 00@5 25; veal calves, $8 00@8 75; heavy and thin, $4 00@5 00.

Hogs—Receipts, 20 double decks; market active and 10c higher on Yorkers, mediums and pigs; heavy hogs steady; prime heavies, $6 55@6 65; mediums, $6 40@6 45; heavy Yorkers, $6 35@6 40; light Yorkers, $6 25@6 30; pigs, $6 15@6 25; roughs, $5 00@6 25.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Beeves—Receipts, 3,190 head; steers active and strong and generally 10c higher; fat bulls and cows steady to firm; medium and thin cows slow; some sales lower; native steers, $4 90@6 15; fat oxen, $4 40@5 40; bulls, $2 50@4 50; cows, $1 50@3 80. Cables quoted live cattle dull at 12½@13½c per lb, dressed weight. Sheep firm at 12½@13½c; lambs, 14@14½c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef slower at 10@10½c per lb. Shipments tomorrow, 1,166 head of cattle; 1,281 head of sheep and 5,925 quarters of beef. Calves—Receipts, 683 head; market firm for veals; other calves higher; veals, $5 00@9 50; little calves, $4 00@4 50; westerns, $4 25; city dressed veals, 11@14c per lb. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 10,639 head; sheep slow; good lambs firm; others dull; sheep, $2 50@3 80; lambs, $4 80; lambs, $4 50@6 00; no Canadian lambs. Hogs—Receipts, 11,934 head; market higher; state hogs, $6 50; choice light do, $6 60; western nominal.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,000 head natives; everything steady to strong; choice export and dressed beef steers, $5 20@6 15; fair to good, $2 75@5 10; stockers and feeders, $2 90@4 00; western fed steers, $2 75@5 25; Texas and Indian steers, $2 75@4 25; Texas cows, $1 75@3 00; native cows, $1 75@4 25; native heifers, $2 40@4 50; canners, $1 00@2 50; bulls, $2 25@4 25; calves, $2 75@6 50. Hogs—Receipts, 4,000 head; market 5@10c higher; top, $6 55; bulk of sales, $6 40@6 50; heavy, $6 37½@6 55; mixed packers, $6 00@6 50; light, $6 05@6 35; Yorkers, $6 25@6 35; pigs, $5 35@6 00. Sheep—Receipts, 1,200 head; market steady to strong; native lambs, $4 00@5 45; western lambs, $3 85@4 85; fed ewes, $3 00@3 95; native wethers, $3 00@4 00; western wethers, $3 00@4 20; stockers and feeders, $2 00@3 35.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 6,000 head; slow; good to prime steers, $5 50@6 50; poor to medium, $3 00@5 00; stockers and feeders, $2 00@4 50; cows, $1 25@4 60; heifers, $2 00@5 35; canners, $1 25@2 40; bulls, $2 00@4 40; calves, $3 00@7 00; Texas fed steers, $3 75@5 00. Hogs—Receipts today, 19,000 head; left over, 3,000 head; 5@10c higher; mixed and butchers, $6 00@6 45; good to choice heavy, $6 45@6 65; rough heavy, $6 10@6 45; light, $5 85@6 20; bulk of sales, $6 15@6 40. Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 11,000 head; 10@15c higher; good to choice wethers, $4 00@4 50; fair to choice mixed, $3 00@4 00; native lambs, $4 00@6 00.

EAST BUFFALO, Dec. 26.—Cattle—Receipts, 200 head; quiet; veals steady; tops, $8 50@9 00; common to good, $5 50@8 25. Hogs—Receipts, 12,000 head; 5@10c higher; active on light and slow on heavy; heavy, $6 50@6 55; mixed, $6 40@6 50; Yorkers and pigs, $6 30@6 40; roughs, $5 50@5 80; stags, $4 50@5 00. Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 9,500 head; sheep firm; lambs strong; 20c higher; top lambs, $5 80@5 95; culls to good, $3 75@5 75; yearlings, $4 25@4 50; ewes, export, $4 25@4 50; sheep, top mixed, $3 50@3 75; culls to good, $1 75@3 40; common to good, $3 40@3 75.

Transfers of Currency.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.—United States Treasurer Roberts said that so far during December $1,446,000 in currency had been transferred to New Orleans, against deposits in New York; $700,000 to San Francisco and $1,369,000 to Chicago. These figures are over $1,500,000 below those for December, 1900, and about $2,000,000 below those for last December. No large additional transfers are expected soon.

Drygoods Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The drygoods market reopened after the holiday with a slow spot trade on home account, but a fair volume of orders otherwise. The general tone was firm and advances were quoted in some lines of quilts and domets. Print cloths were quiet but steady. Linens were firm on moderate business. Burlaps dull and barely steady in price.

HOLIDAY BUSINESS WEEK'S MAIN FEATURE

Industrial Trade Interrupted at Many Points by Annual Stock Taking.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade tomorrow will say:

Trade and speculation experienced the customary holiday quiet, except in Christmas goods, which sold freely, many packing and shipping departments being still engaged on this class of work, which could not be completed at the specified time.

Industrial undertakings are interrupted in many cases by the taking of inventories while other plants are closed because fuel cannot be obtained. Orders still come forward freely, and the new year will open with more business on the books than ever before. Prices of commodities are firmly held by the steady domestic demand and there is a good export movement of the leading staples. Railway earnings thus far reported for the month of December surpass last year's by 5 per cent, and those of 1900 by 11.6 per cent.

Quiet conditions in the iron and steel industry, unaccompanied by any sign of weakness, testify to the healthy tone and suggest a bright outlook for the coming year. Furnaces and mills will extend the season of idleness beyond the usual time, not because orders are lacking, but in order to accumulate a moderate supply of coke. The situation in regard to shipments from Connellsville has not improved.

New England shoe factories are in full operation and have liberal orders on hand. Quotations are firm. Leather dealings have been restricted less than usual by the holidays, shoe manufacturers coming into the market for large quantities of hemlock sole.

An unexpectedly favorable feature has appeared in the market for cotton goods. After a long season of stagnation in the export division, the demand for China suddenly became considerable. Domestic trade is limited to immediate requirements. In woolen goods there is a good demand. Woolen and worsted dress goods are quiet but steady.

Failures for the week numbered 269 in the United States, against 250 last year, and 21 in Canada, compared with 23 a year ago.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Pittsburgh and Philadelphia Only Cities Among Leaders Which Show Increased Figures for Week.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The following table, compiled by Bradstreet, shows the bank clearings at the principal cities for the week ended December 25, with the percentage of increase and decrease as compared with the corresponding week last year:

CITIES.	Amount.	Pct. Inc.	Pct. Dec.
New York	$1,150,136,313		2.2
Chicago	138,254,025		2.7
Boston	101,113,062		2.8
Philadelphia	106,412,929	16.5	
St. Louis	38,302,955		16.6
Pittsburgh	37,095,802	1.7	
Baltimore	18,231,555		1.4
San Francisco	29,014,000	55.4	
Cincinnati	17,206,900	8.4	
Kansas City	17,789,367	15.9	
Cleveland	12,422,686	7.0	
Minneapolis	13,701,018	5.0	
New Orleans	14,767,298	7.3	
Toledo	2,388,381	7.4	
Scranton	1,120,813		22.7
Dayton, O.	1,336,740	18.7	
Akron	619,000	40.7	
Youngstown	470,244	2.6	
Canton	348,000	9.7	
Springfield, O.	323,686	6.2	
†Columbus, O.	7,005,100	18.1	
§Wheeling	604,061	3.6	
§Wilkesbarre	679,489		14.4
Greensburg	530,392		
Totals, U. S.	$1,851,694,300	.3	
Outside New York	701,557,996	5.0	

†Not included in totals because containing other items than clearings. §Not included in totals because of no comparison for last year.

NEWS FROM THE MINES.

The directors of the White Knob Copper Company have authorized the issue of $500,000 6 per cent 10-year sinking fund gold debentures, convertible after April 1, 1904, at the rate of one bond for 80 shares of new stock. It is deemed advisable to reduce the par value of stock from $100 a share to $10 a share and authorize an increase of $500,000 of stock (50,000 shares par value $10 each) in order to provide for sale and conversion of the bonds. It is also proposed that the opportunity of purchasing these bonds at par and interest shall be offered to the stockholders for pro rata subscription, the holders of a majority of the stock having already approved the plan. The annual meeting will be held January 6 in Jersey City.

The regular quarterly dividend of the Ontario of Park City has been posted. Like its predecessors, this one will be $45,000, making the total of $180,000 for the year, and pushing the earnings of the old producer past the $15,000,000 mark, the total amount being $15,016,500.

The Sacramento mine, a Utah producer, yesterday paid a dividend of one-half cent a share, making a total of $145,000 for the year.

Work on the new drainage tunnel, which is to start from Cripple Creek gulch and run through Beacon and Raven hills, will be started soon after the first of the month. Already 15 or 20 bids have been put in and the contract will be let in a few days. The principal subscriptions are the El Paso Consolidated company, Mary McKinney and Doctor Jack Pot. Ninety thousand of the $100,000 has already been subscribed. There is no question but that the balance will be easily secured. This tunnel will cut the El Paso at a depth of about 600 feet.

A dispatch to the Denver News from Phoenix, Ariz., says: There is a flow of Lake Superior capital into Arizona mining fields, most of which is going into the Bisbee district. Some of the cash being invested will be without returns of course, but the thousands of dollars constantly going into that region will result in the opening of some very profitable mines. Developments in the past two or three years put to rest any doubt concerning the resources in this district, which extends down into northern Sonora and has become the scene of some of the greatest copper operations of the world. Figures from the Calumet and Arizona smelter, at Douglas, indicate that the returns are more than 10 per cent in copper, and it is thought that when the smelter is operating smoothly unusual returns will result from the handling of great deposits of ore of such richness. In smaller deposits the ore is found much richer in the red metal, but there seems to be an inexhaustible lens of 10 per cent ore. The success of this company has stimulated other capitalists in the Lake Superior region, effecting the organization of several other important development companies operating now in the same region and said to have fine prospects.

The Marquette and Arizona Development Company has been organized in Michigan to take over certain copper claims in the Huachuca mountains, west of Bisbee, and near the international line. An "antiqua," or an old Spanish mine, replete with antique relics of primitive Spanish mining, is included among the claims. This property is particularly developed, and has a splendid showing. It is said that the men behind the proposition have ample means and are offering no stock to the public.

A report from Glance station, near Bisbee, tells of an aluminum discovery. The ore is said to carry 26 per cent in the white metal. It was discovered in a shaft sunk for the development of a water supply. It has been announced that the bond taken on the Casey property, in the same district, by Tom Brockman for $60,000, has been relinquished on account of the inability of Brockman to give his attention to the deal. The property has come into prominence recently. It is situated in a rich district, and is thought to be a valuable holding.

The Metal Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—The absence of the English market cables naturally exerted a restricting effect on the local metal trade, but most descriptions were firm and higher. Tin advanced to $26 00@26 25, but was very quiet, and while copper prices were raised, the market continues nominal. Standard is now quoted at $11 00, lake at $11 75 and electrolytic and casting at $11 62½. Lead was unchanged at $4 12½ and spelter remained dull and easy at $4 75. Iron was dull. Warrants continue nominal; No. 1 foundry is quoted at $23 00@25 00; No. 2 foundry northern, No. 1 foundry northern and No. 1 foundry southern soft at $22 00@23 00.

Boston Copper Stocks.

(Reported by A. E. Masten & Co.)

Allouez	2½	Old Dominion	15¾
Adventure	13½	Old Colony	1
Arcadian	3⅝	Parrot	25½
Atlantic	7	Phoenix	3¼
Black Diamond	3	Quincy	108
Bingham	28½	Range Consol	56⅝
Calumet & Ariz.	90	Rhode Island	1⅝
Calumet & Hecla	500	Swift	124
Centennial	16⅝	Trimountain	91
*Calumet & Pgh.	75	Trinity	9⅝
*L. S. & P. Devel.	70	Tamarack	150
Mass.	13¾	United Fruit	108
Mohawk	37½	Utah	25½
Mohawk	37½	U. S. Mining	22
Michigan	7	Victoria	4½
Mont. & Boston	2⅜	Wolverine	58½
Osceola	53½	Winona	4½

*Asked.

New York Mining Stocks.

Adams Son	.15	Little Chief	.09
Alice	.20	Ontario	6.00
Breece	.40	Ophir	1.30
Brunswick Con.	.03	Phoenix	.05
Comstock Tunnel	.05	Potosi	.20
Con. Cal. & Va.	1.35	Savage	.12
Horn Silver	1.25	Sierra Nevada	.45
Iron Silver	.83	Small Hopes	.30
Leadville Con.	.03	Standard	3.20

IN THE OIL FIELDS.

The new Big Lime district or extension, north of the Clear Fork development in Monroe county, O., is coming to the front and looks like a winner. Some three weeks since the Carter Oil Company drilled in a test on the S. R. Pryor farm that is holding up at 250 barrels a day.

In the same locality the Fisher Oil Company has drilled in a test on the S. R. Hartshorn farm and the well produced 350 barrels the first 24 hours from the Big Lime formation.

Operations are increasing in this district. The Fisher Oil Company has the rig up for No. 2 on this farm and is due in the sand at No. 1 on the Christy farm.

The Carter Oil Company also has the rig completed for No. 2 on the S. R. Pryor farm.

The Ohio Southern Oil Company has completed No. 13 on the W. D. Copeland farm and has a 5-barrel pumper. The same company has completed No. 10 on the J. A. McDevitt farm and has a 15-barrel pumper.

The Southern Oil Company has completed No. 5 on the J. Q. Law farm and has a small pumper.

The Ann Oil Company has drilled its No. 3 on the J. H. Melany farm through the sand and will have a 5-barrel pumper.

In the Lewisville district, Monroe county, Martin & Co.'s Sprig No. 1; the Pure Oil Company's No. 5 D. Baker and No. 4 James Highman are holding up at 70, 65 and 50 barrels a day, respectively.

In the Pine Grove extension the South Penn Oil Company has shot its No. 1 on the Rose Potts farm and will not have better than a 15-barrel pumper. No. 1 on the Ellis Dulaney farm is producing 55 barrels a day and has not been drilled through the sand.

In the Salem district the same company has completed its test on the Hession heirs' farm and has a 25-barrel producer.

On Grass run, Treat & Crawford's No. 2 on the J. & H. A. Williams farm is holding up at 250 barrels a day.

On the east side of the Folsom district, Wetzel county, the South Penn Oil Company has completed No. 3 on the Frank Cook farm and has a 30-barrel producer.

In the same district the Delmar Oil Company has completed No. 2 A. J. Ice, Jr., and No. 1 J. A. Cuncan. The first is good for 40 and the last 60 barrels a day.

In the Eureka district, Pleasants county, the Vespertine Oil Company's No. 15 on the Frank R. Bills farm is producing 210 barrels a day from the Cow Run sand.

In the Elm Run district, Ritchie county, the Salina Oil Company has completed No. 7 on the J. P. Marshall farm and has a show for a 15-barrel pumper in the salt sand.

Shipments and Runs.

Shipments and runs of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana fields, up to and including December 25:

PENNSYLVANIA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
December 25	105,969	Dec. 23-24	197467
Previously	2,146,332	Previously	1,694,324
Total	2,252,301	Total	1,891,791
Daily average	90,092	Daily average	78,824

LIMA OIL.

SHIPMENTS.		RUNS.	
Dec. 24-25	61,369	December 23	72,292
Previously	1,476,944	Previously	1,106,626
Total	1,538,313	Total	1,178,918
Daily average	61,545	Daily average	51,257

The Oil Market.

Following are the Standard's credit balance prices for the various fields:

Pennsylvania, $1 51; Tiona, $1 66; Corning, $1 31; New Castle, $1 38; North Lima, $1 12; South Lima, $1 07; Indiana, $1 07; White House, $1 21; Somerset, 96c; Lacy, 96c; Barbourville, 96c; Ragland, 55c.

The Producers and Refiners' Oil Company also quotes $1 51 for Pennsylvania crude.

OIL CITY, PA., Dec. 26.—Credit balances, $1 51; certificates, no sales; shipments, 105,969 barrels; average, 90,092 barrels; runs, 197,477 barrels; average, 78,824 barrels.

Boston Wool Market.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The Commercial Bulletin in describing the wool trade of the country, tomorrow will say: The receipts of wool in Boston since January 1, 1902, have been 319,854,767 pounds, against 262,819,600 pounds for the same period in 1901. The Boston shipments to date are 281,130,745 pounds, against shipments of 261,630,377 pounds for the same period in 1901. The stock on hand in Boston January 1, 1902, was 77,540,463 pounds; the total stock today is 107,164,485 pounds. A huge business has been done this week in quarterblood and other washed wools. Ohio quarterblood was sold at 25c in one instance. Ohio delaine has been sold at 25c, an advance of one cent. The south stock of South American cross-breeds is practically cleaned out. A line of 400,000 pounds of Falkland island and Punta Arenas brought over 2c. The Australasian clip is short over 200,000 bales. Sales to America so far amount to 28,000 bales. The adoption of wool serge as the United States army uniform has helped boom all medium wools.

The W. M. Laird Company announce to stockholders of record December 31 a dividend of 3 per cent out of the earnings of the past six months, payable on demand. The company reports a very prosperous year's business.

THE THREE RIVERS.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE GAZETTE.]

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 26.—River 25.8 feet and falling. Packets in and out on good time. The arrival of towboats today were the Valiant, B. D. Wood and J. C. Risher. The Risher went below with a tow while the others went back with empties. The John Moren, Josh Cook and Dave Wood also went up. The Coal City passed up at noon from Louisville with empties.

LOUISVILLE—River falling, with 7 feet 10 inches on the falls, 10 feet in the canal and 27 feet 3 inches at the foot of the locks. Light snow flurries. The Jim Wood, Tom Dodsworth, Cruiser and Marine arrived with tows from Pittsburgh. The Cruiser and tow left for Cairo. The Mariner, Tom Dodsworth and Jim Wood will return direct to Pittsburgh. Capt. John Moren of the Pittsburgh is in the city.

Cairo—River 29.1 feet. Ice is reported in the Mississippi as far down as Chester. The Defender and Williams are expected down tomorrow. The Harry Brown lost 11 coalboats and three flats at Smithland by colliding with the bank, but came on with the balance of her tow without ascertaining the extent of the damage. It is thought that the coal can be saved.

MEMPHIS—River 29.4 feet and rising. The J. B. Finley with a tow passed down at 2 p. m. for New Orleans.

MARIETTA—River 16 feet 2 inches and falling. Snow flurries. Bedford up, 6 a. m.; Iron Age up, 10 a. m.; G. W. Thomas up, 4 p. m.; Ben Hur, due, 8 p. m.

MARIETTA—River 16 feet and falling. Snow. Bedford up, 6 a. m.; Ben Hur from Pittsburgh.

HUNTINGTON—River 24 feet 3 inches and stationary. Queen City for Cincinnati, 10:30 a. m.; Keystone State for Pittsburgh, 6 p. m.

POINT PLEASANT—River 20 feet and falling. Down, Queen City; up, H. M. Stanley and Kanawha.

OIL CITY—River 4 feet 9 inches and falling. Snow.

PARKERSBURG—River 15 feet and falling. Light snow. No boats.

WARREN—River 3 feet. Snowing.

GEENSBORO—River 8 feet 6 inches and falling. Columbia down Saturday and Woodward up.

STEUBENVILLE—River 13 feet and falling. Snow. Up, Virginia, 8 a. m.; George Brawdy, noon. Down, Frank Elmore, 10 a. m.; Tornado, 1 p. m.; Jas. Moren, 1 p. m.

MORGANTOWN—River 8 feet and stationary. Snowy.

GALLIPOLIS—River 18 feet and falling.

Arrivals.

Lorena, Wallace, Zanesville.
Greenwood, Greene, Charleston.

Departures.

Greenwood, Charleston, W. Va.

Packets Leaving Today.

Virginia, Cincinnati, O.
Lorena, Zanesville, O.

News of the Rivers.

At 9 o'clock last night the stage of water at Davis Island dam was 9.1 feet and falling.

The flags on the steamboats in port are at half mast out of respect to the memory of Capt. W. W. O'Neil.

There was a very poor market yesterday for poultry on the Monongahela wharf. The packets arriving brought very little.

Pilots are requested to be on the lookout for a snag in the third pool of the Monongahela, abreast of O'Neil & Peterson's coal tipple.

The towboat John F. Klein, which met with an accident to her machinery while passing Industry, was expected to finish making repairs last night and proceed south with her coal tow.

Pool towboatmen say that more coal was dropped out of the Monongahela river into the Pittsburgh harbor during the past 10 days than ever before in the history of the river in a similar period.

Capt. James A. Henderson of the Pittsburgh and Cincinnati Packet line yesterday said the amount of travel on the river at this point is very large. Many persons took advantage of the good boating water to go to their homes by river.

The Valley Barge line steamers Clark and Lourey arrived at St. Louis from Cairo, where they had been placed in winter quarters, and were replaced in the grain trade. Both boats departed with a tow of empty barges. The Lourey is bound for Cairo, while the Clark will go through to New Orleans.

When the Oakland went to New Orleans on her present down trip from Pittsburgh she took her tow over the Louisville falls, added to it at West Louisville and left with 28 boats and 4 barges, only remaining there four hours. Cal. Blazier and Benjamin Stout are her pilots and W. S. Carroll captain. The Oakland is doing good work.

The dam which it is proposed to erect in the river to make a harbor for the entire year at Cincinnati will not be recommended to be built at Cullom's Riffle. Instead, the government engineers will recommend that the dam be located at a point 10 miles below the riffle, opposite Gravel Pit, at a point known to rivermen as Medoc Bar, the next shallow place below Cullom's Riffle.

The government boat Loma, having on board Capt. W. L. Sibert, went up the Allegheny river yesterday to view the wreck of the towboat Margaret and ascertain the location of her sunken flats. The machinery of the boat, which is all that can be saved from the wreck, will be taken off. It is likely that the Rodgers Sand Company will be in the market for several new towboats in the spring. Capt. S. V. Carter of the wreck boat yesterday made a report of the affair to the local steamboat inspectors.

His Historic Table.

The table upon which the articles of capitulation signed by Washington and Cornwallis at Yorktown, Va., is in possession of the Rev. George K. Ormond, a resident of Carnegie. The Rev. Mr. Ormond received the table from his father, James Ormond, who resided at Newburg, N. Y. The historic piece of furniture is well preserved, of plain design and supported by three legs, resting upon cleats.

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GEN. GRANT FILES MRS. GRANT'S WILL

Value of Estate Disposed of Is in Excess of $200,000.

DIVIDED IN FOUR PARTS

Sons and Daughter Receive Equal Shares — Washington Residence Valued at $40,000. Relic Goes to Art Museum.

THE PITTSBURGH GAZETTE BUREAU,
Room 10, Posmi Building,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 26.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The will of Mrs. Ulysses Grant was filed today. The estate is to be divided into four equal portions. It also provides that a memento presented to her by the empress of Japan, said to be 1,000 years old, shall go to the Museum of Arts, New York.

Gen. Fred D. Grant, son of the testatrix, delivered the testament at Register Dent's office in person. Mrs. Grant named as executor "The trustees to be selected by my three sons, a majority or the survivors of them."

In a petition asking the district supreme court to admit the will to probate, Gen. Fred D. Grant explains that his mother left surviving her as heirs at law and next of kin, in addition to himself, Ulysses S. Grant, Ellen W. Sartoris and Jesse R. Grant. The deceased died possessed of house at No. 2111 Massachusetts avenue, this city, of the value of about $40,000; money amounting to $10,065; stocks, bonds and other securities of the value of $180,000, and household and kitchen furniture of the value of $4,000.

Gen. Grant further sets forth that under the terms of the will the three sons of the deceased have designated him executor. He, therefore, asked the court to grant letters testamentary to him.

By the terms of the will the entire estate of the testatrix is to be divided into four equal shares. The income of the first portion, it is directed, shall be applied to the support of the family of Frederick D. Grant and the education of his children. The second portion is left to the executor in trust and for the benefit of the family of Ulysses S. Grant, under precisely the same conditions and for the same purposes as regards the first portion. The third portion is left under similar conditions to Jesse R. Grant, and the fourth for the sole use of Ellen W. Sartoris for life, and at her death to the latter's children in equal shares.

NO CARS TO TRANSPORT COAL FOR THE POOR

Interstate Commission Asked to Investigate Alleged Discrimination.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS TO THE GAZETTE.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—R. W. Austin of Knoxville, Tenn., trading as the Live and Let Live Coal Company, which company, he states, was formed to supply coal to the poor, and whose profits are donated to the Knoxville Women's Christian Association for the Poor, has filed a complaint with the interstate commerce commission alleging that the Southern railway is discriminating in the supply of cars for the coal trade.

Mr. Austin says his company's charges are "greatly below the extortionate prices per ton exacted by the other coal dealers of Knoxville and that these dealers have formed a combination and fixed a schedule of prices and agreed not to sell below this schedule. The complainant alleges that in furnishing cars for the transportation of coal from the mines at Jellico, Tenn., to Knoxville and other points on the Southern and connecting lines the defendant company is discriminating against the complainant, the owners of the mines shipping to the complainant, the consumers and the city of Knoxville itself, and that the railroad company is legally required to furnish the complainant with sufficient cars to enable it to do business and compete on equal terms with other established coal dealers in Knoxville." An investigation is asked for.

Favor New Vice President.

The addition of a fifth vice president to the executive roster of the Pennsylvania railroad, which has been under discussion for more than a year, was not carried out as had been partly expected at the meeting of the board this week. A director says of the matter: "The question has been fully discussed and the board appears to favor creating this new position. The charter will have to be amended, but this can be done easily and quickly. If the position is created the new vice president will certainly not be a man now on the Broad street station staff."

Tabulating Miners' Vote.

The first of the election returns from the 135 locals in the Pittsburgh district of the United Mine Workers were received yesterday. Nearly all of the locals have balloted and the vote, which is said to be very large, is for district officers, and one member of the national executive committee. The votes are being tabulated as they come in, but the result will not be announced until all are received.

What Is Better

To have for your Christmas or New Year's dinner than a bottle of Speer's Old Port, Sherry or Burgundy Wine? The oldest and finest wines in America. Preferred by the most refined and wealthy class in New York and Washington. What is better for a holiday present than a case of this wine? Wholesaled in Pittsburgh by George A. Kelly Co. and W. J. Gilmore & Co., wholesale druggists. Retailed by druggists generally.

Denies Calling Passenger Business a "Dress Parade"

The newspapers have recently given wide publicity to a statement attributed to President Loree of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, in regard to the passenger business in general, which carried the intimation that the passenger department was a dress parade feature of the railroad service and was unprofitable.

A prominent general passenger agent, intimately acquainted with President Loree, wrote him on the subject, expressing his surprise at the sentiments attributed to him, which brought out the following reply from President Loree:

"I have your letter of December 11. The story has been told in so many forms that I have no doubt that you are familiar with it, but I perhaps remember best that version which relates that a lawyer once in excusing his client for not appearing in court in answer to a subpoena, alleged some 39 reasons, of which the last was that his client was dead. If I may say that the article referred to was a pure fabrication, and that I have never publicly expressed an opinion on the subject, perhaps the other 38 things I might say need not be said."

GREAT CONSTRUCTION YEAR.

Over 6,000 Miles of New Track and 164,547 New Cars in 1902.

Over 6,000 miles of new track, 164,547 new cars and 4,070 new locomotives is the railroad track and equipment construction record for the year which is just ending. The figures have been obtained from official sources by the Railroad Gazette. This record is the best that has been made for many years in all respects.

The figures for track-laying does not include second track, sidings or electric lines. There have been new lines built in 42 states and territories, Oklahoma leading with 570 miles of new track. Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Virginia each has between 100 and 200 miles of new track.

The new cars represented in the above figures include those for elevated lines, but not electric cars and the figures are exclusive also of the cars built by railroads at their own shops. Approximately 162,800 of these cars were for freight service and 1,950 for passengers. Of the total 2,800 were built for export. The increase over 1901 in new cars and locomotives is about 40 per cent. A still busier year is in sight for the next 12 months. The new plant of the Standard Steel Car Company at Butler is expected to add close to 20,000 new cars to the list for 1903.

WILL FEAST EVERY TIME.

Railway Club to Meet at Night and Have Collations.

Hereafter the meetings of the Railway club of Pittsburgh will be held at 8 p. m., instead of 2 p. m., on the fourth Friday of each month, except June, July and August. The change is made to allow a larger attendance and to make another new feature of the club's meetings more available. This is a collation after each business session.

At the meeting yesterday the subject was "Essentials of a Good Draft Gear." Papers were read by General Manager E. M. Herr of the Westinghouse Air Brake Company and R. V. Wright, mechanical engineer of the Pittsburgh & Lake Erie. The total membership of the organization was brought to 350 by the election of 15 new members.

RAILROAD NOTES.

The announcement is made by the New York Central that the wages of employes in the clerical work of the system will be increased 20 per cent, to date from December 1.

It is reported that the Appleyard syndicate has purchased the Bellaire, Zanesville & Cincinnati, popularly known as the "Bend, Zigzag & Crooked" and will convert it into a trolley line. A portion has been acquired by the Wabash interests to tap a coal field.

A. J. Smith, general passenger agent of the Lake Shore, announces the following Chicago appointments: L. F. Vosburgh, general agent, passenger department; B. A. Keeler, city passenger agent, and A. M. Pitts, city ticket agent, vice L. F. Vosburgh, promoted.

The Pennsylvania railroad increased its shipments of coal and coke on the lines east of Pittsburgh and Erie 31,888 tons during the week ending December 20, over the previous week. The aggregate was 750,695 tons. Of this amount 74,100 tons were anthracite, 949,525 tons bituminous and 182,004 tons coke.

Excursion to Wheeling Tomorrow.

Train leaves B. & O. R. R. depot 8:30 a. m. Fare $1.50 round trip.

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IMMEASURABLE MISFORTUNE!!
GOING TO STAY DEAF?
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If you have become hard of hearing from any cause whatever, it would be wise of you to consult Doctor Tucker, who has made a lifelong study of this condition and its cure. If you are deaf from catarrh you positively commit a crime against yourself if you do not go to Doctor Tucker, for he has cured every case of deafness caused by this disease which he has treated in his fourteen years of special practice. Doctor Tucker has the advantage over all other doctors in experience, in equipment—having all the latest and best appliances and instruments for the treatment of catarrh, be it of the nose, throat, eyes, ears, bronchial tubes, lungs stomach or any other organ of the body. His charges are so moderate that persons of limited means find it easy to get expert treatment. NOW DO NOT DELAY But come today to Doctor Tucker's office and start at once to get rid of a disease which may make you deaf, blind or which even causes death if neglected.

$5 Dollars a Month.

Dr. Tucker has decided to make his fee low during the holidays, realizing the accommodation it will be to anyone needing treatment. This fee includes consultation, examination, treatment and medicine.

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If you do, you want to know that instead of wasting time and money with local doctors who cannot have any knowledge of chronic diseases and their cure, you can be cured by my new method of HOME TREATMENT as surely and quickly as if you consulted me in person.

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The long and the short of it is—both have disadvantages! Now comes the Medium with all the style and comfort of the Short Coat—minus its shortcomings; and it's long in the good parts of the long coat, in fact the Medium Coat is the necessity—the others are in the nature of luxuries.

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at all the prices—
Warm up, come in, have a look and
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Bulletin!

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE BEGINS MONDAY—For particulars see Monday morning papers.

SWEEPING REDUCTIONS in China, Bric-a-Brac and Fancy Goods.

TOYS, GAMES, DOLLS, Etc., at Half Prices. Still lower figures given to Committees buying in wholesale quantities for Institutions, Sunday Schools, New Year's Jollifications, Etc.

SPECIAL BARGAINS in Cloaks, Suits, Furs, Dress Goods and Silks.

NO BETTER TIME for men to fit themselves out with warm Winter Overcoats on our Fourth Floor.

STERLING SILVER NOVELTIES, Art Goods, Etc., for those who intend to reciprocate Christmas Tokens with New Year's Gifts.

ONLY TWENTY HARTZ MOUNTAIN CANARIES left, and no more coming this season.

The "Cartoon in Colors" by Banghart, to be given free with Sunday's Gazette, is one of best in the series. Be sure to get it.

½ off marked prices on house coats

House coats— also gowns and robes, all go at half price; the $6.50 ones at 3.25; $8.50 ones at 4.25; and so on up to the $35.00 ones which we reduced to 17.50

Men's bath robes—fine Austrian cloth, rich Persian and floral designs, one half off sale price or 1.75

House coats — double face cloth, cloth bound and silk cord edge—all sizes, reduced to half price or 2.50

KAUFMANN'S
"THE BIG STORE"

½ off on men's and boys' sweaters

Boys' sweaters—fine all-wool, all the good colors, also alternate striped, mostly sizes for boys 2½ to 10 years, more than one-half off the usual price, 38c

Men's all-wool sweaters, in plain or striped bottom, cuffs and neck, reduced to one-half price, choice, 49c

Men's sweaters, all-wool and worsted, in white, striped, plain, etc., all kinds and sizes, reduced to one-half regular selling price, 1.25

Columbia cylinder records—can be used on any cylinder talking machine, reduced to one-half price, or 15c
7 in. disk records, 5c.

Sale at 35% below actual value

From stock of Alfred Benjamin & Co.
From stock of A. Dinkelspiel Co.
From stock of Fechheimer-Fishel Co.
From stock of M. Sampter & Sons.

The foremost clothing manufacturers in the United States

It is probably not too much to say that no purchase was ever hailed with such great delight by well posted clothing buyers as our recent ¼ million dollar clothing deal. It is easy enough to buy poorly made goods which manufacturers of little or no reputation are forced to sell at a sacrifice, but it is quite another thing to scoop in at a big concession such celebrated clothing as that turned out by the above mentioned firms.

Under ordinary circumstances, the makers would have had no trouble at all disposing of the goods, as their high grade clothing is always in demand with the best dressers everywhere. But it's the unexpected that happens. Who could have foreseen such a warm month as last November! It upset the plans and calculations of even the most conservative. And the wise and progressive manufacturer of today knows that it is better to close out surplus stocks at a sacrifice rather than pack the goods away. This explains how the chance came our way (and your way) to buy this famous clothing at a reduction of fully 35 per cent from regular prices.

Choice From the $8 and $10 suits and overcoats for only 6.50

This offer includes not only stylish, dependable all-wool single and double-breasted suits, and short, medium and long overcoats, but those popular waterproof rain coats as well—all sizes to fit all men.

Choice From the $12 to $15 suits and overcoats for only 9.00

Here you'll find about everything that fashionable dressers now demand—and none but the choicest materials have been used in their making. Examine them carefully—every detail will stand the closest inspection.

Choice From the $20 & $22 suits and overcoats for only 14.00

The more particular you are about your clothes the greater will be your enthusiasm about these specimens of high degree of perfection attained by modern ready-to-wear attire.

Men's $4 and $5 pants at 3.00

These came along with the above purchases. They're fine and fashionable goods in every respect. But they're going fast, so if you want a pair, be sure to come today.

Men's $1.50 and $1.75 pants at 1.00

Don't think because the price is so low that the goods are undesirable. They're NOT. All-wool cheviots (including blues and blacks), fancy cassimeres and worsteds are the materials.

All men's fancy vests go today at just half the marked prices.

Mighty price concessions in boys' clothing

One thing sure, we've got to cut a wide swath in our boys' clothing department before inventory. We started right in with the boys' suits—took about 800 of them that were marked $2.50 and $3.00, and a sprinkling from $3.50 lines. They include 2-piece double-breasted and Norfolk suits, the latter without yokes, also some fine vestee and all-wool sailor suits, all shades, all sizes, from 4 to 16 years. Very special price for this sale, 1.50

Boys' overcoats—the price reduction is more noticeable here than in the suits, for we offer fine automobile and Russian novelty overcoats in red, blue, oxford and brown—long overcoats with slash pockets, also reefers of chinchilla and Irish frieze, many styles, velvet or ulster collars, all reduced from $2.50, $3.00, $3.90, and some $4.25 down to 1.95

Pants cut in two—that is, the price has been marked just half former selling price, one counter stacked high with pants left from suits where the jacket or vest has been sold, unrestricted choice, 25c

Boys' suits—at a ridiculous price—made from hard serges, also double-breasted styles, in two and three-piece suits, reduced to 3.00

Young men's overcoats—fancy brown and olive, all-wool materials, also heavy tan ¾ length box coats, sizes 33 to 36 only, ½ off sale price, or 3.75

Young men's overcoats—fine oxford, black and plain all-wool friezes, sizes 33 to 36 only, ½ off or 5.00

Young men's suits—all-wool, black and fancy cheviots; also broken sizes up to 36 in. breast measure, ½ off sale price, or 5.00

Men's fixings reduced

SOME are cut down 20 per cent., some 25 per cent., some 30 per cent., and some even 50 per cent. If one price won't move the goods, another and deeper one will.

Men's high-class neckwear—the season's latest and swellest creations—sold before Christmas for $1.50, $2.00 and $2.50, choice today for 1.00

Men's neckwear—all those ties and scarfs in anywise soiled or mussed from too much handling picked out from our regular 50c lines and offered at only 25c

Men's underwear—the famous Norfolk and New Brunswick make, full regular made, natural wool—reduced from $2.00 to only 1.50

Men's underwear—a large lot of men's heavy fleece lined, sanitary health underwear that has been selling for 75c, now reduced to only 50c

Men's madras shirts—some of the latest patterns, each shirt with pair of separate cuffs—have been selling for 75c and $1.00, now reduced to 50c

Men's pajamas—made of heavy cheviot, the most comfortable sleeping garment for men, reduced from $1.50 to, 1.00

Men's night shirts—made of superior quality fancy striped flannelette, reduced from 75c to 50c

Men's gloves—kid palm, fleece lined Astrachan gloves, have been selling for $1.50, now reduced to only 98c

Men's wool gloves—a large lot of men's fancy mixed imported Scotch wool gloves, reduced from 75c to only 50c

Boys' furnishings cut down the same as the men's

Boys' gloves—imported fancy and plain color Scotch wool, reduced from 50c to only 25c

Boys' underwear—a miscellaneous lot of boys' fleece lined sanitary health underwear, offered for quick clearance at only 25c

Big reductions on women's and misses' wear

Jackets and Monte Carlo coats — in finest zibelines, cheviots, kerseys or montagnacs, all lined with guaranteed satin or silk, several styles, reduced from $14.00, $15.00 and $18.00 to 10.00

Women's jackets, and Monte Carlo coats, cheviots and kerseys, every one cut and fashioned in the latest styles, black and colors, have been marked down from $8.50 and $10.00 to 5.00

Fur boas—double length or single, Baum marten, Isabella or sable fox, squirrel and mink, regular price $13.50, $14.00 and $16.50, all reduced to 10.00

Genuine Persian lamb jackets—cut in the latest styles, fine selected skins, easily worth $65.00, reduced to 37.50

½ off on these

Long raglan or Newmarket effect coats, plain, strapped or fur trimmed, reduced from $25.00 and $30.00 to 10.00

Women's tailor-made suits, newest and swellest styles, reduced from $20.00 and $22.50 to 9.85

French marten scarfs—6 tails—beautiful fluffy fur, marked down from $1.98 to 99c

Fur capes—electric seal, reduced from $15.00 to 7.50

Astrachan fur capes—reduced from $10.00 to 5.00

Fur scarfs—Isabella or sable fox or mink, double or single style, reduced from $10.00 and $12.00 down to 5.00

Women's waists—black and white or blue and white checked, were $1.50, now 75c

Real seal jackets—were $190.00, today at half price, or 95.00

Shoulder shawls—that have been selling for 25c, now 12c

Girls' nice coats — all-wool—with or without large cape collar—some neatly trimmed with narrow braid, reduced from $2.98 to 1.69

Girls' dresses—all-wool checks, stripes and plain colors, silk or braid trimmed, lined throughout, reduced from $2.00 and $2.50 to 1.00

Girls' swell coats—in full length styles with a large cape collar and bishop sleeves—fine all-wool kerseys and cheviots—reduced from $5.00 to 3.85

Women's silk waists—in taffeta, peau de soie, satin, etc., latest styles—reduced from $3.00, $4.00 and $5.00 to 1.95

Women's shirt waists—in flannel or fancy striped wool materials, reduced from 75c and $1.00 to 50c